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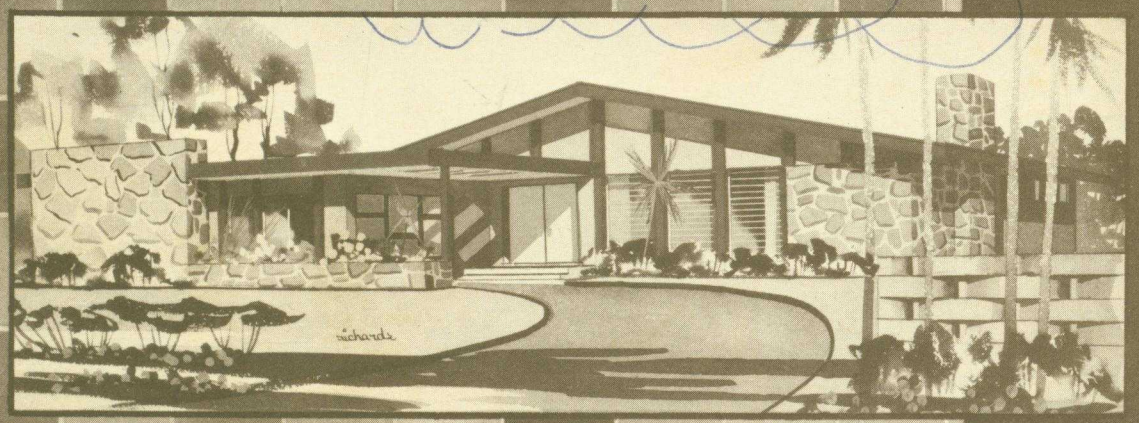

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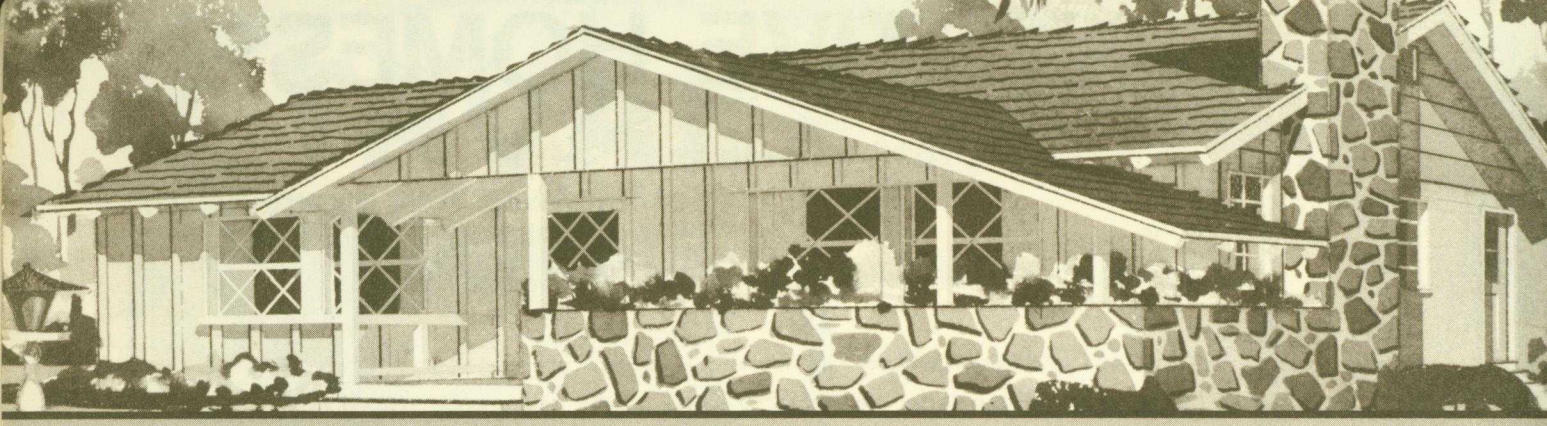
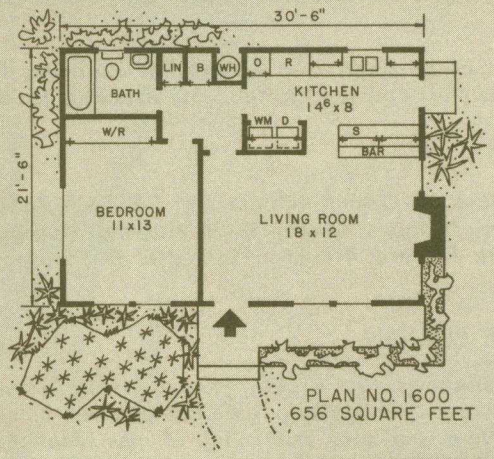




PLAN NO. 1600
656 SQUARE FEET

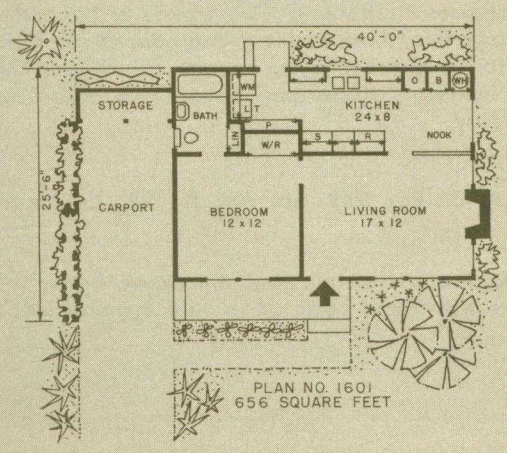
Like any other personal possession, houses should fit their owners. This one-bedroom home has been scaled to size for the couple whose preference is for comfort and convenience.

Complete enough to be a permanent home, this plan could be built as a summer cottage on your beach or mountain property. Or, it could be a rental unit at the rear of your city lot.

Planned for efficiency, the channel kitchen has a built-in oven and stove. The built-in range backs an eating bar that opens to the living room.

A separate closet houses the washing machine and dryer, with overhead shelves for supplies. The dryer may be replaced with a laundry tray.

A large wardrobe extends across one end of the spacious bedroom, with cabinets above for blankets and storage drawers below.



PLAN NO. 1601
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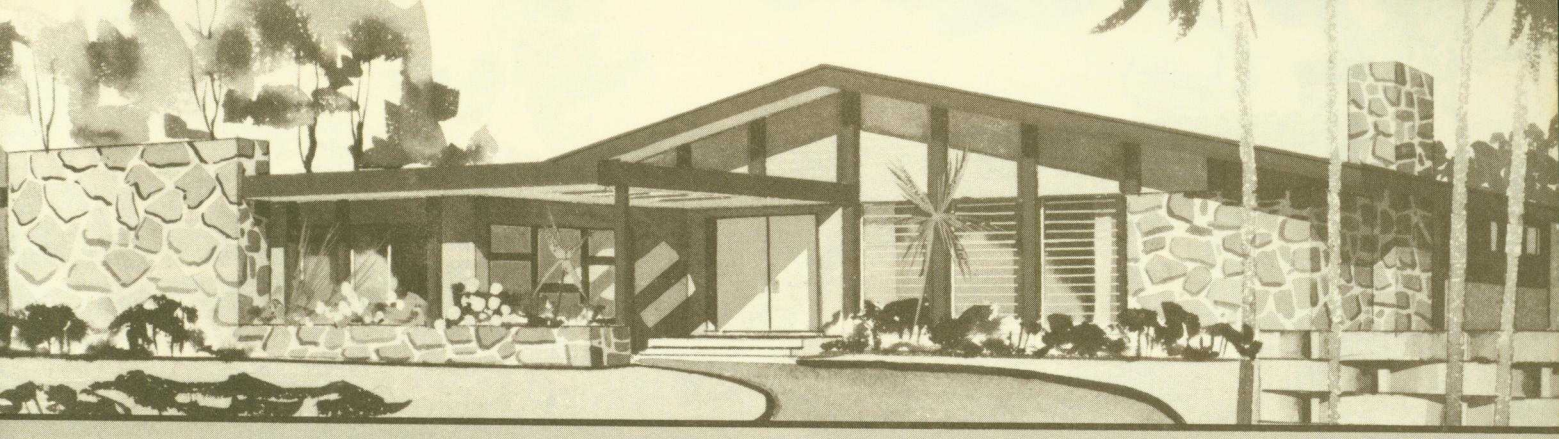
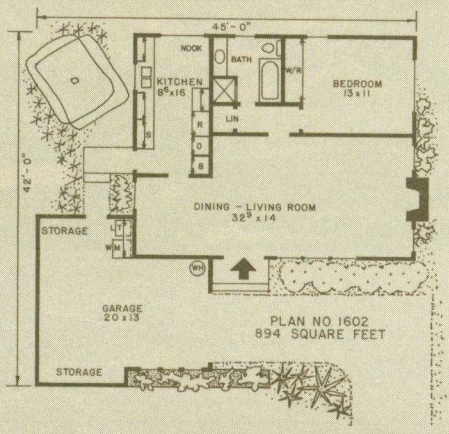
If you are dreaming of getting away from it all to your own little cottage in the mountains or at the beach, this plan is for you. Even a city dweller will find this small home well suited to a city lot, as a comfortable minimum house for a couple or a profitable rental unit.

A stone planter and a large storage locker enclose the carport. The covered porch provides sheltered passage from the carport to the front door.

A half wall defines the dining nook and makes this area appear much larger. The meal preparation and clean-up zone is shielded from the living room by a full height wall.

A thermostatically controlled dual heater, located in the wall between the bedroom and living room, keeps the entire house comfortably heated.





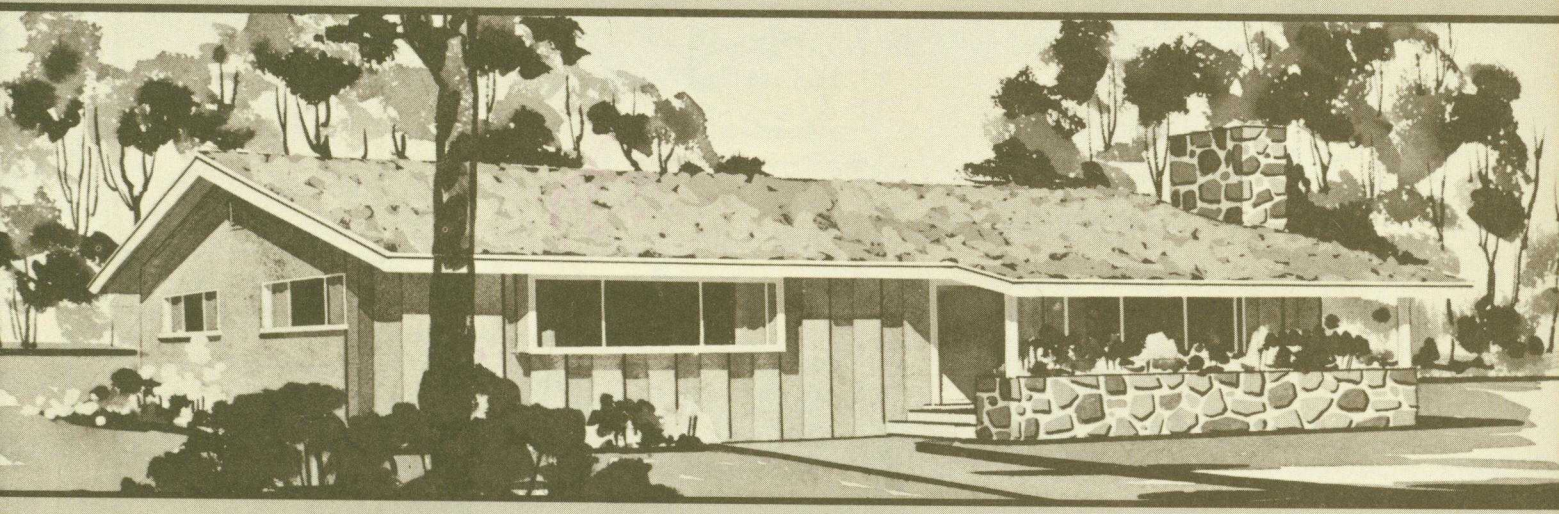
Many couples planning for retirement find that homes being built today are too large for their needs. This 894 square foot home is meant for two.

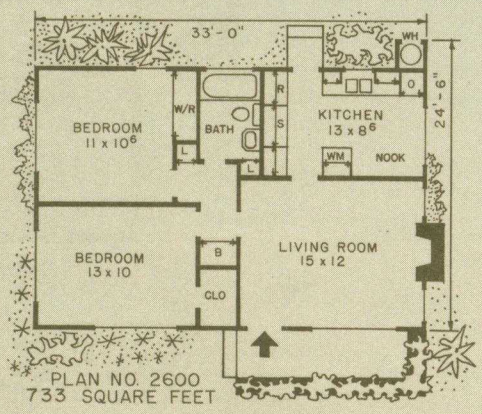
All rooms are large, light and airy, and the entire home is planned for easy care and low maintenance cost. The one-car garage could be enlarged to accommodate two cars if desired.

The living room and dining area extends over 32 feet across the front and is lighted by windows on three sides. A big stone fireplace adds a touch of genial warmth.

The bedroom is cross-ventilated, with sliding windows set shoulder-high to allow ample wall space for furniture underneath. A wide sliding-panel wardrobe provides storage for clothing, with drawers below and a storage shelf above.

The bath has a pullman lavatory and both tub and stall shower. A big linen closet occupies one end of the hall.





The small home builder is frequently overlooked in today's scramble for bigger and better homes. Yet the need is insistent.

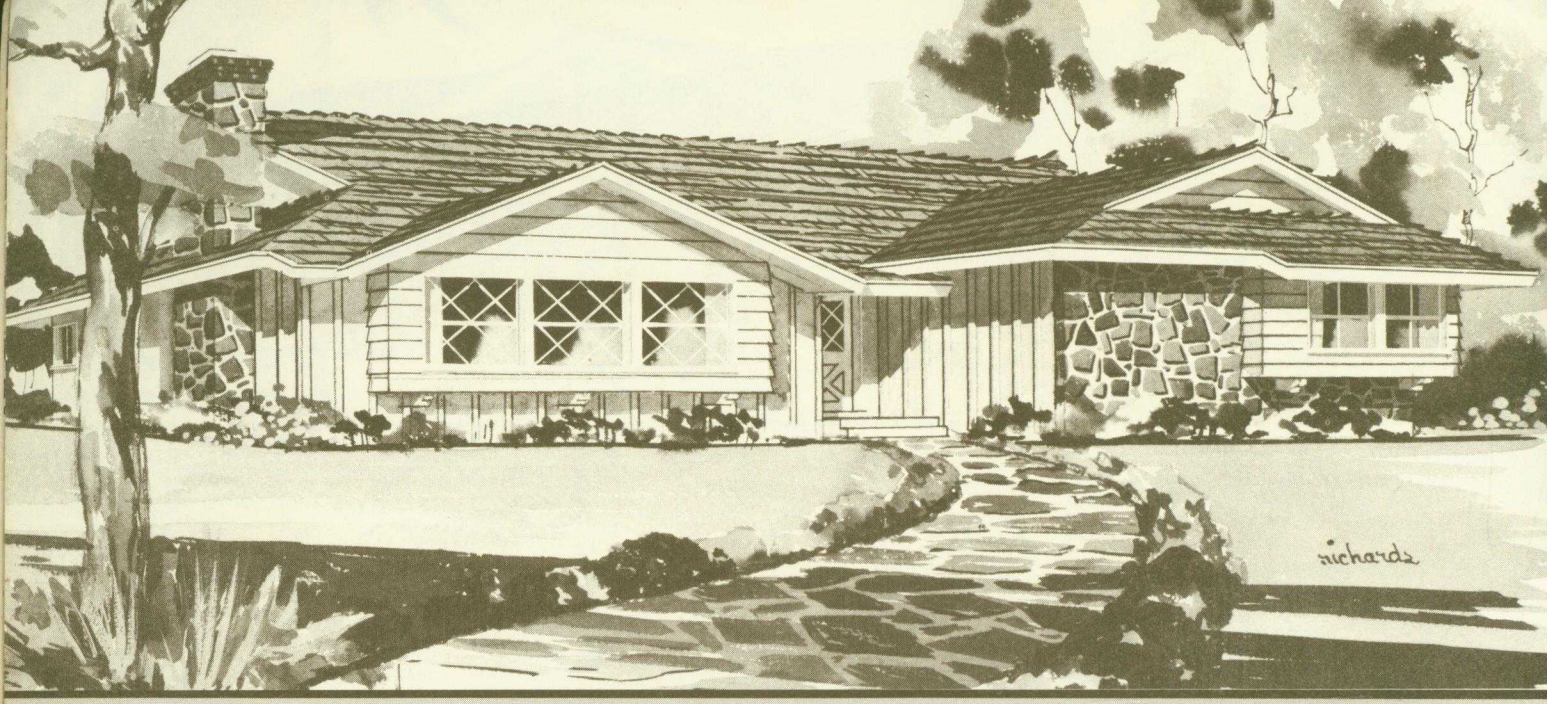
The retired couple whose family has grown, the young married couple with a limited income, the property owner who wants a small rental unit—all are looking for such a home as this.

Here in 733 square feet of floor space are all that is needed for comfort, beauty and a touch of luxury.

Vertical siding and field stone lend color and textural interest to the trim exterior lines. The roof of crushed rock extends to shelter the porch, which is bordered by a wide stone planter.

Small windows flank the stone fireplace in the spacious living room and a picture window gives a view of the street.

Built-in appliances and an abundance of overhead cabinets conserve space in the kitchen, allowing room for a well lighted eating nook.



Open planning adds depth and dimension to this enchanting two-bedroom home. Unnecessary partitions have been avoided for a greater feeling of unified space.

A broad bay window expands the front of the living room and a stone fireplace, provides a focal point for furniture arrangements.

The dining area is visually united with both the living room and kitchen. A partition keeps, the actual mechanics of meal preparation out of view from the living room, yet the housewife can join the conversation while she goes about her work. Kitchen appliances are built in to conserve space and provide more room for cabinets. Ample cupboards and counter tops add to the efficiency of the work area.

Washer and dryer in the service area have cabinets overhead. A "step saver" door opens from the service area to the bedroom hall.

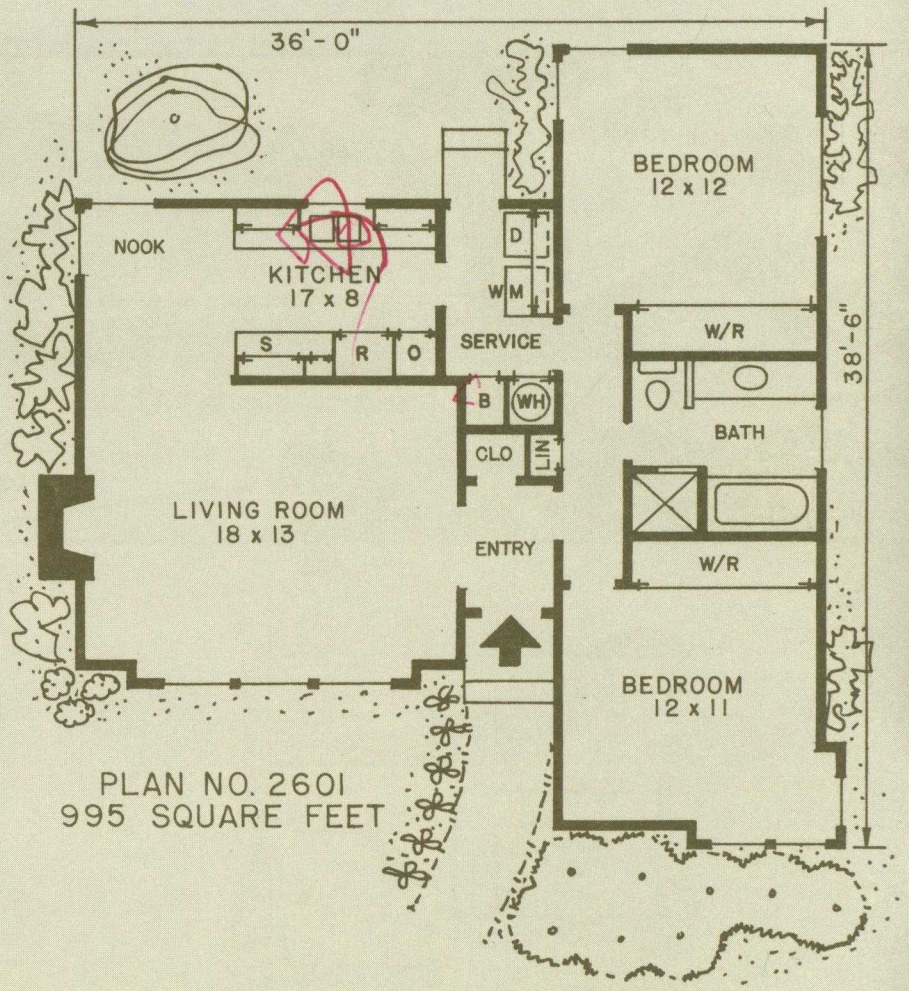
A stall shower, recessed bath, partitioned fixtures and pullman lavatory are luxury features of the family bath, which separates the two spacious bedrooms.

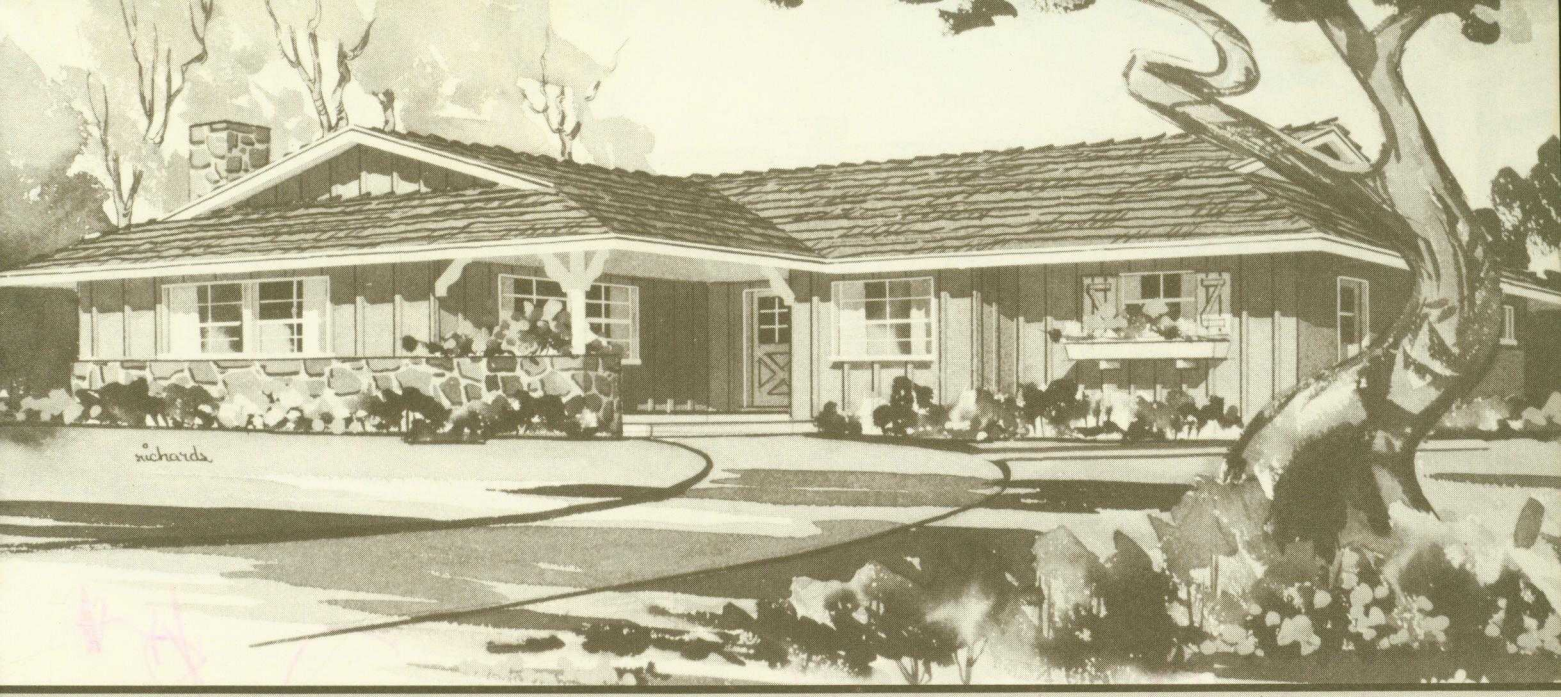
A corner bay window adds light and space to the front bedroom. Corner windows and a high sliding window provide cross ventilation for the other. Wardrobes are exceptionally roomy.

Four closets provide storage for linens, brooms and accessories.

The cedar shingle roof tilts up at the gables, and wide eaves shelter the recessed entry. Vertical and horizontal siding are combined for pleasing contrast and stone veneer is located at the front of the bedroom wing. Diamond-light windows lend a rustic touch.

For year-around temperature control the forced air unit is located in the attic, with service access from the bedroom hall.





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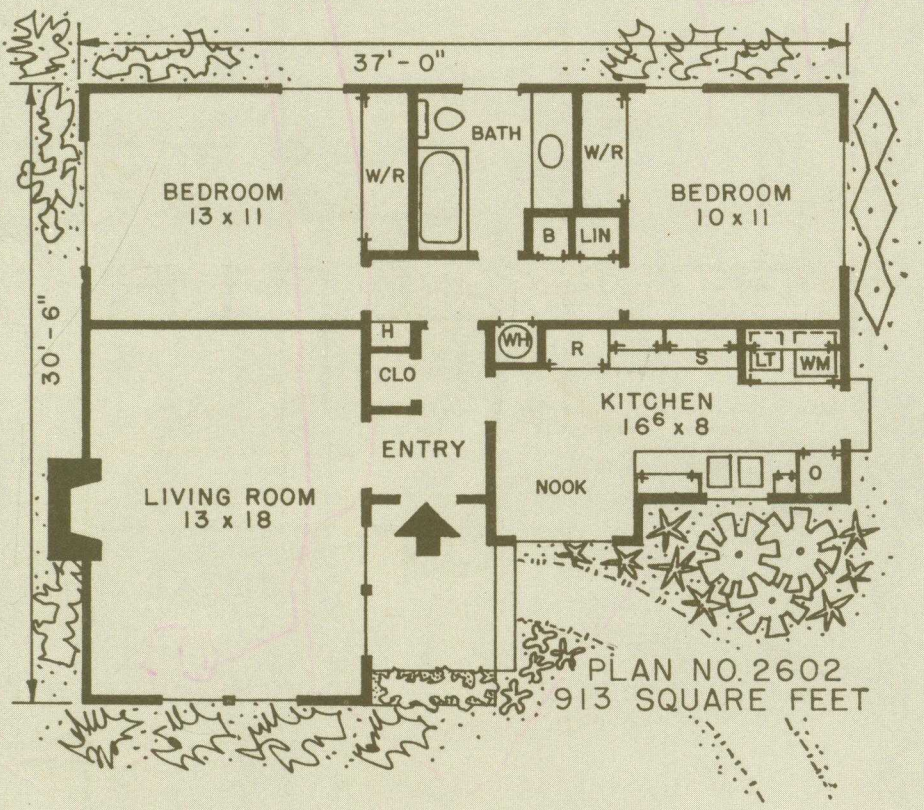


Some people just don't want a big house. For them, this little jewel of a plan is ideal. In only 913 square feet of floor space it incorporates all the luxury features one could ask for in a small home.

Stone is used for the chimney and veneer as well as a planter to lend textural contrast to the vertical board and batten siding. Shutters and a flower box add a decorative note to the kitchen windows and a planter flanks the porch. Extending the lines of the shingled roof, wide eaves provide summer shade for the windows and shelter for the entry.

From the entrance foyer a short center hall leads to each area of the home.

A big stone fireplace centers on the long wall of the living room. Unbroken wall areas allow for a variety of tasteful furniture groupings.

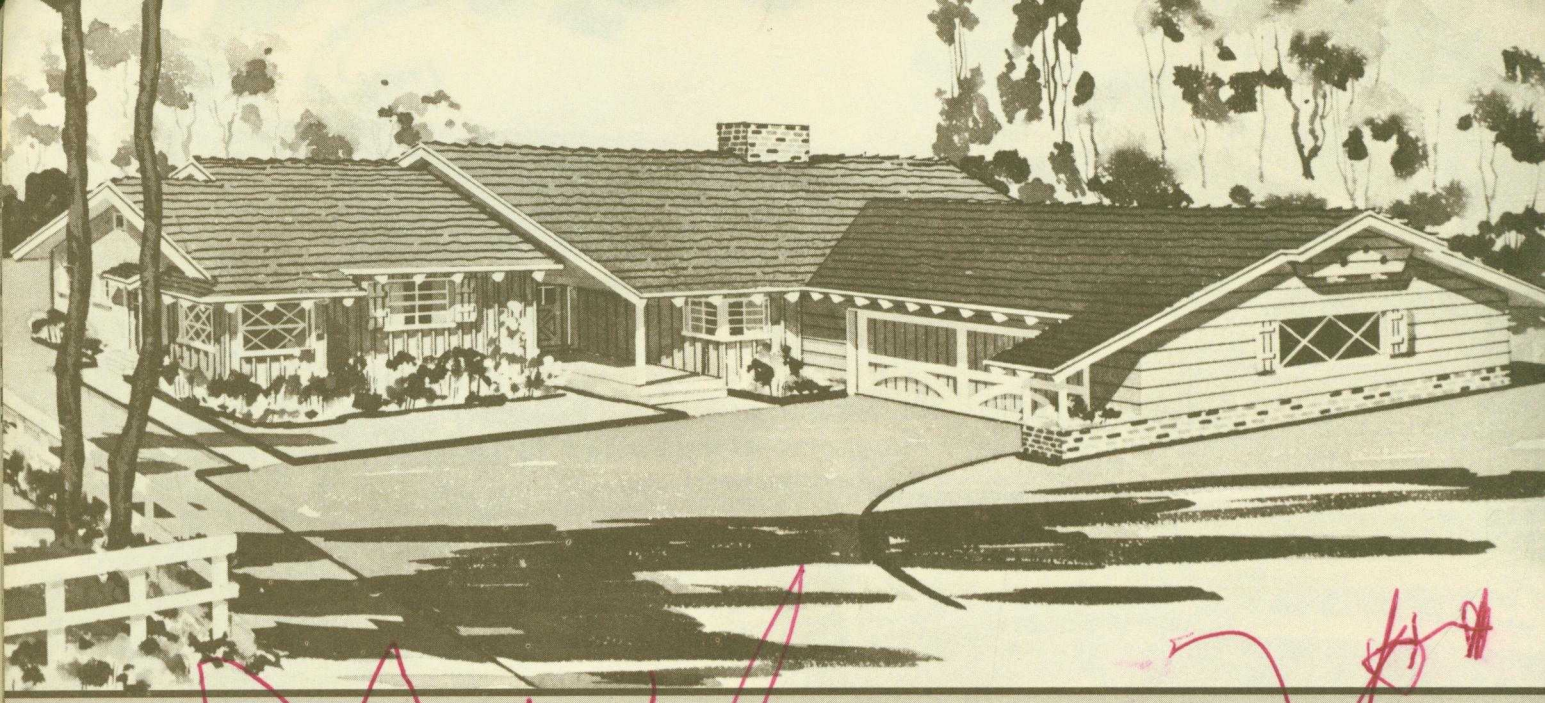
Closets for the water heater, linens and family storage open from the center hall.

Bedroom wardrobes are unusually large, with sliding doors for easy access, drawers below and cabinets above for blankets. Both bedrooms are cross-ventilated.

Built-in appliances conserve space in the kitchen. Stove, oven and refrigerator are placed for maximum efficiency. Home laundry equipment is closeted near the door and more overhead cabinets provide storage for soaps and accessories.

Windows light the double sink and spacious dining nook.

A gravity furnace located off the bedroom hall keeps this little home at desired comfort-level in cold weather.



Practical planning has made this 1678 square foot home particularly suitable for a family with growing children.

Living areas divided—family room for teenage gatherings or evening studies—living room, with its corner fireplace, for adult entertaining. Yet both areas open walls of glass to the wide, sheltered patio for outdoor relaxation.

A view-through above the built-in range cooking unit opens the family room to the kitchen. Windows on two sides brighten the large corner breakfast alcove.

A half-bath off the service-laundry room is convenient to the work area and play yard.

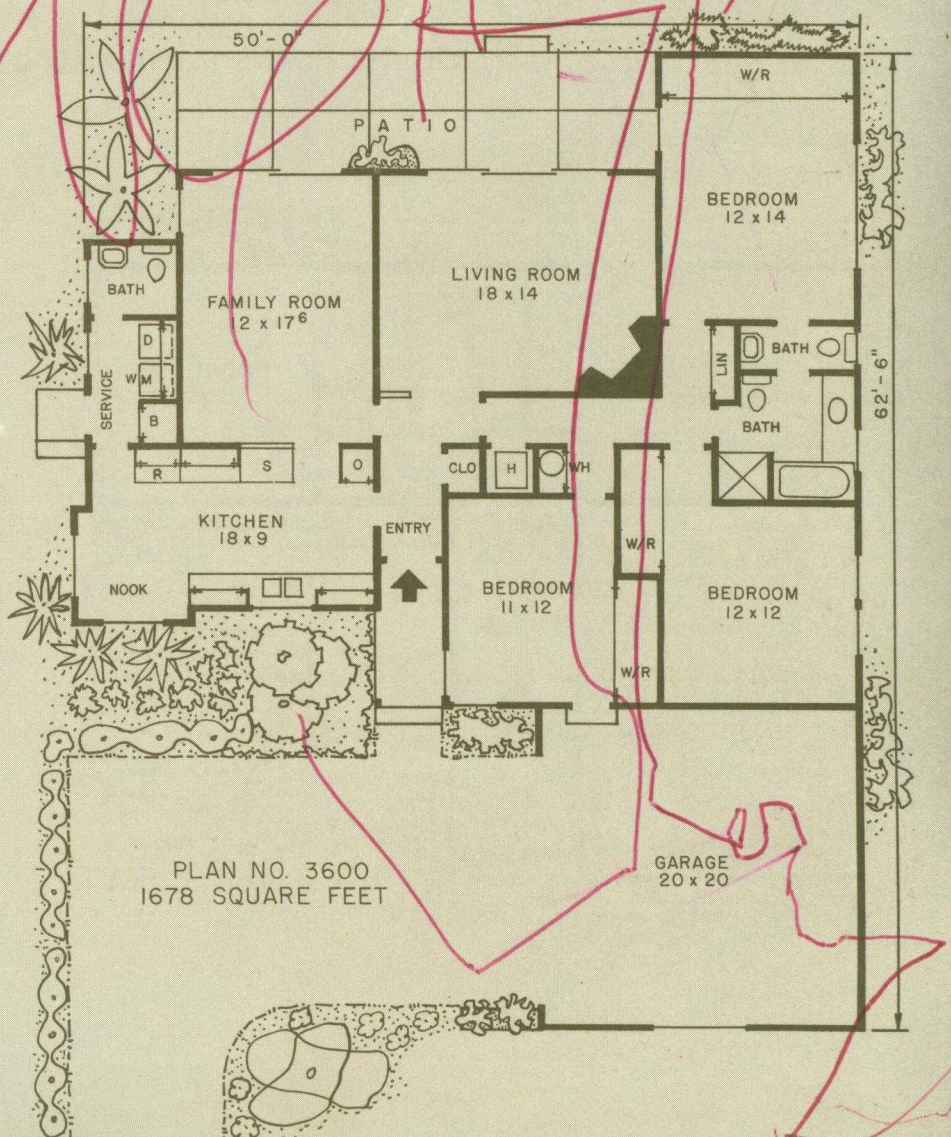
Built on the center-hall plan, all rooms are accessible to the entry, with no room being used as a passageway. The bedroom hall can be closed off from the work and activity area to maintain privacy and quiet.

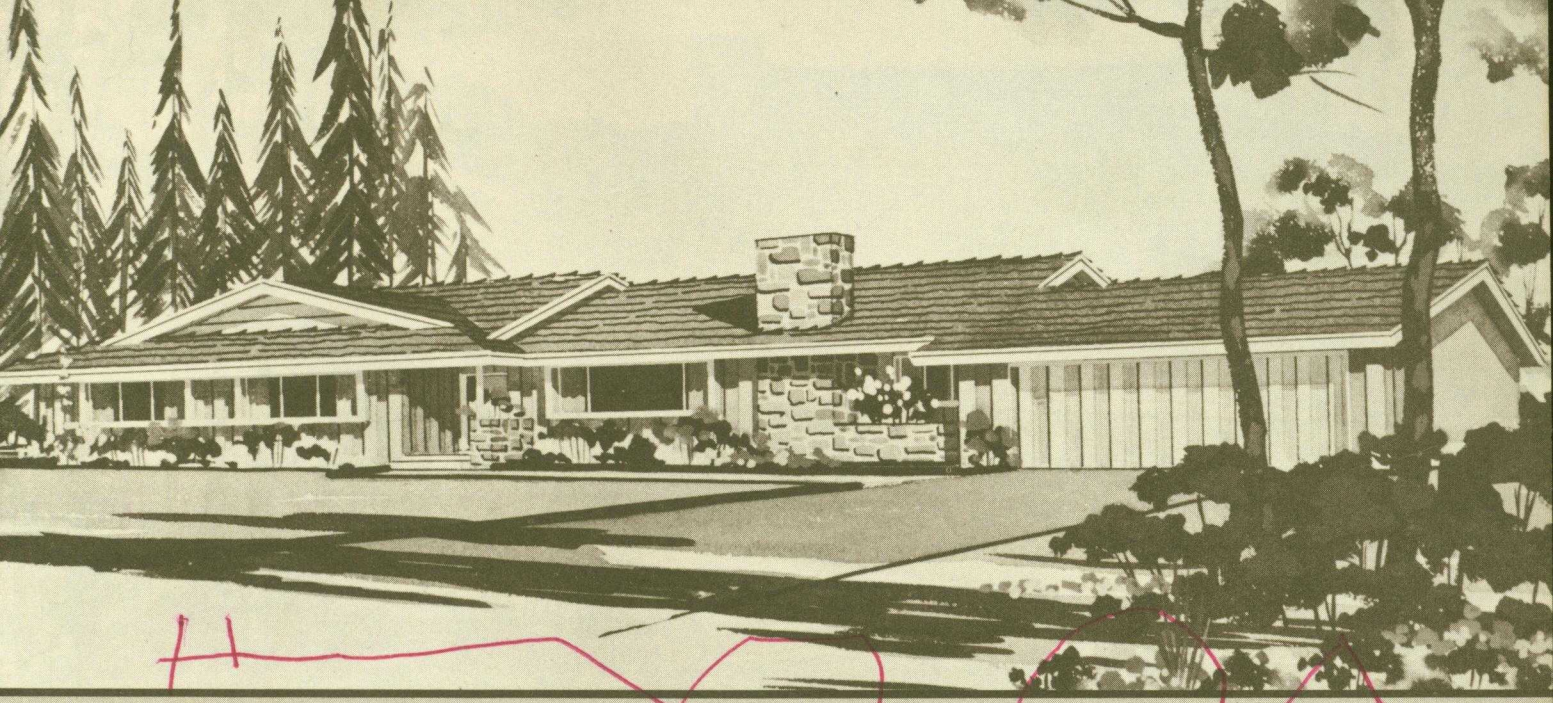
Extra large closets are an important feature of the three spacious bedrooms. An inside door leads directly from the double garage into the front bedroom or den.

Unusual is the partitioned bath-half-bath, which opens to both the hall and master bedroom. The family bath contains tub, stall shower, water closet and a pullman lavatory with storage cabinets below.

A wide linen closet opens to the hall. The central location of the forced air unit will help reduce costs during construction.

The homey, rustic atmosphere of the exterior is emphasized by the rough shakes of the roof, the birdhouse that projects from the gable and the combination of vertical and horizontal siding. Colorful shutters frame the windows. The warm-toned used brick of the chimney is repeated as veneer at the front of the garage and extends to form a planter for bright flowers and greenery.





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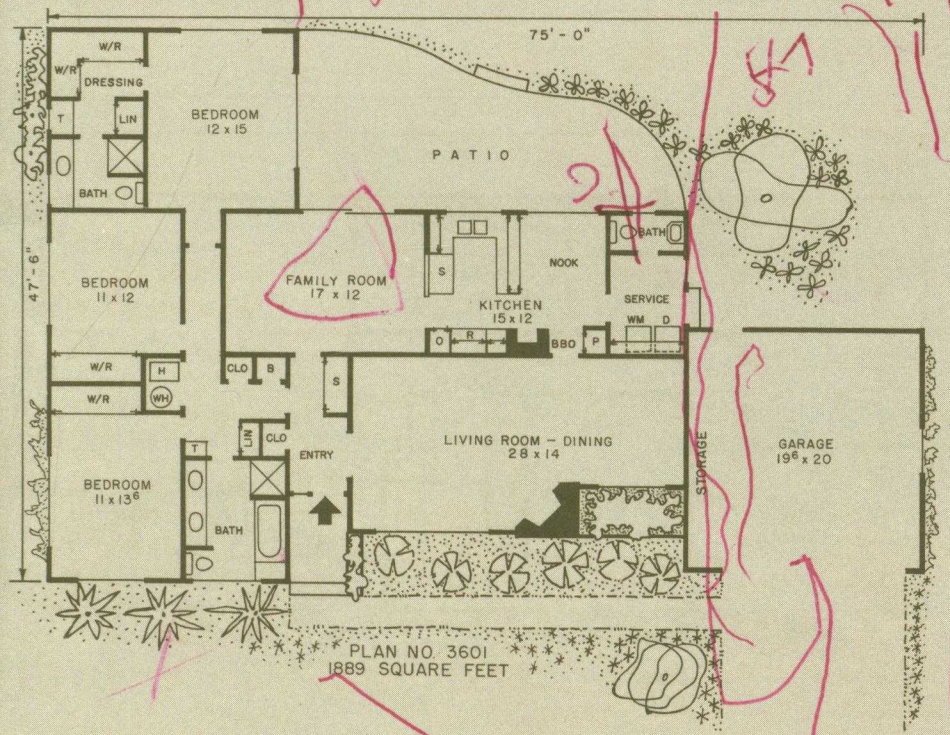

PLAN NO. 3601
1889 SQUARE FEET

Here's a home to fall in love with. Across the rear the family area extends in easy, open space from the family room, through the kitchen area, to a family eating room. Wide glass doors open in summer to include the patio for sun, play and relaxation.

Built-in oven, refrigerator, barbecue and cabinets are along one wall. The range is located against a half-wall which opens to the family room. Cabinets between the kitchen and eating area open on either side.

There's space in the service area for washer and dryer, as well as a freezer and a sewing table.

For entertaining, the living room and dining area extend to a spacious twenty-eight feet, brightened by a corner fireplace and an expanse of casement windows.

The master bedroom suite includes a private three-quarter bath and dressing room with built-in dressing table, linen closet and wardrobe.

The wide sliding-panel wardrobes in the family bedrooms have drawers below and storage shelves above.

The family bath has a pullman with two lavatories, plus bath tub and stall shower.

Closets line the halls, providing ample storage for linens, brooms, family storage, a forced air heating unit and water heater.

The modern exterior of this home would make it an attractive addition to any neighborhood. Cedar shakes form the interesting lines of the roof. The rough-cut stone in the chimney and planters lends textural contrast to the vertical board on board siding. Box-framing around the windows repeats the long, low lines of this 1889 square foot home.

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Whether your lot is long and narrow, wide and shallow, or corner propery, this contemporary home can be adapted to fit. It can be placed on a wide lot as illustrated or turned 90 degrees to fit a very narrow lot. From either side, the house presents an attractive face to the street. Wide eaves and a glistening rock roof top board on board siding. Box frames outline the casement windows. Soft-hued stone is used on the chimney and planter box. The front door opens onto a sheltered entry landing.

A big fireplace centers on the long wall of the spacious living room, which is lighted on one side by a bank of windows, on the other by double glass doors that open to a wide, partially roofed patio. Expanding the living area is the dining alcove.

Quick family meals can be served in the kitchen nook area. Ample cabinets, surface counters and built-in appliances are arranged for step-saving efficiency. Washing machine, dryer and freezer can be installed in the service area.

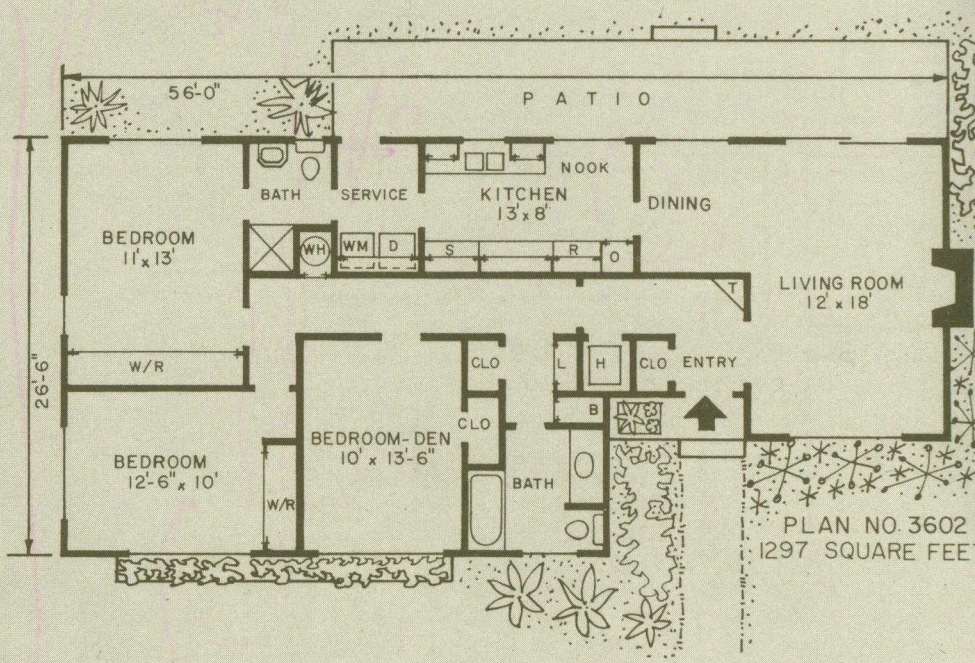
A three-quarter bath with stall shower is accessible from both the service and master bedroom.

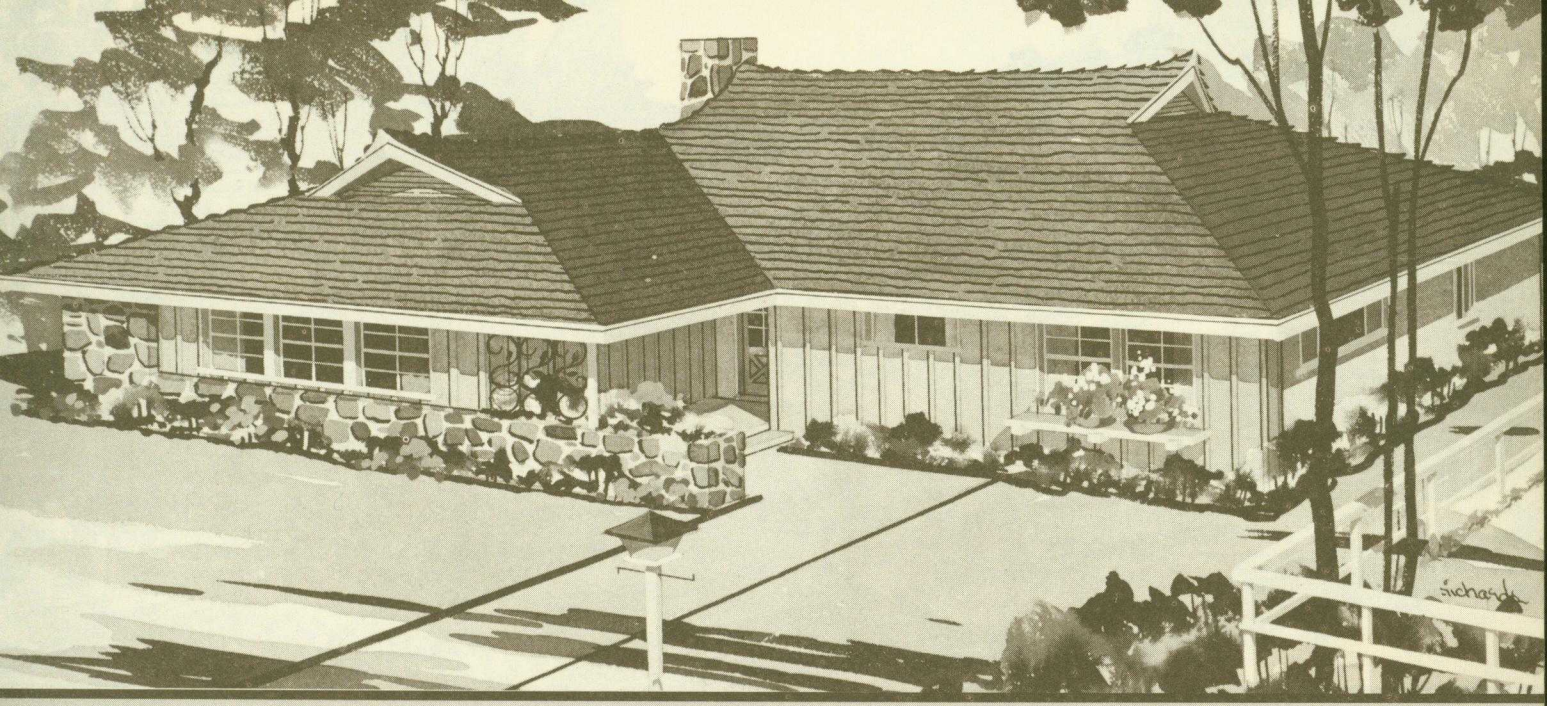
All bedrooms are secluded from the work and activity areas for quiet and privacy. All have large wardrobes and plenty of light. High-set casement windows provide extra wall space for the placement of furniture.

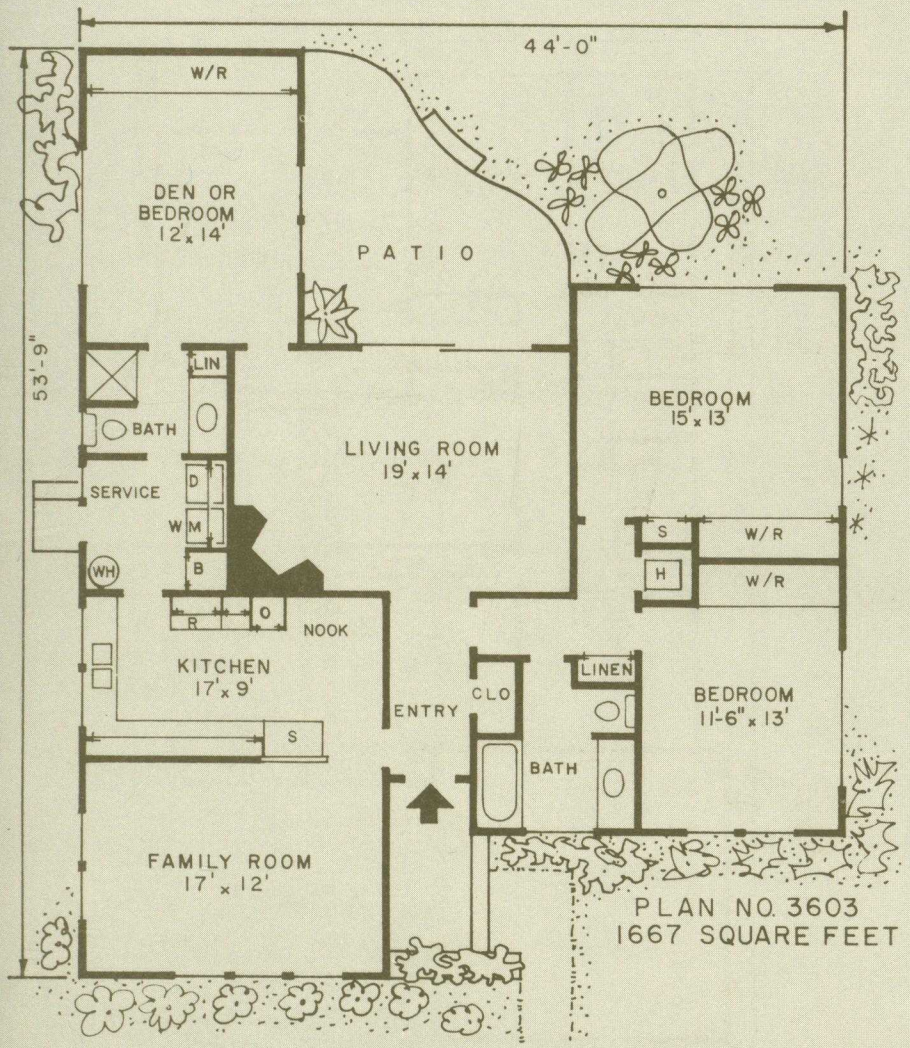
The family bath has semi-partitioned fixtures and a pullman lavatory with storage cabinets below.

Six closets open from the center hall, providing ample storage for the average family.

A centrally located forced air unit keeps all rooms at desired temperature winter and summer.







PLAN NO. 3603
1667 SQUARE FEET

Most in demand today is the "charm" home with three bedrooms, two baths and a family room. Add flexible planning and a delightful exterior and you have this medium size home.

Like an Old Country cottage, the exterior combines natural materials to their best advantage—stained wood shingles, vertical board and batten siding, field stone and wrought iron. A flower pot shelf provides a spot for color beneath the front windows, and a planter adds interest to the roofed entry.

Kitchen and family room combine to make a light, airy activity center—playroom, television room, or the place for informal entertaining. Oven and surface cooking units are built in.

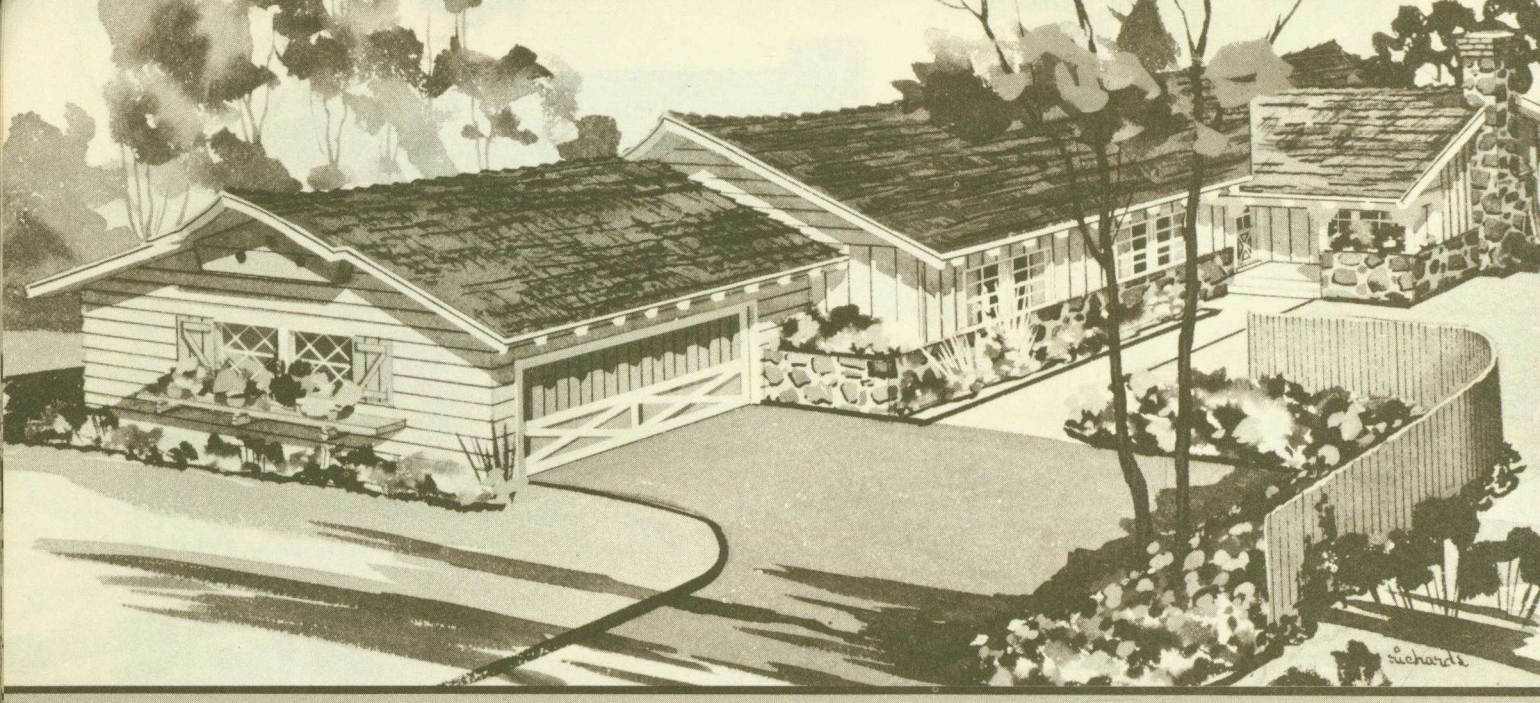
The service area is amply large enough for washer, dryer, water heater, freezer and a handy broom closet.

Convenient to the work area is the three-quarter bath, which opens to both the service room and den. With this semi-private bath and a wall-to-wall wardrobe, you may prefer to use the den as a master bedroom or guest room.

Two spacious bedrooms and the master bath open from the center hall. Casement windows in the bedrooms are high-set for ample light with privacy.

The rear living room has a big corner fireplace and glass doors that opens to the partially sheltered patio.

If you prefer a front living room and rear family room, these two rooms could be interchanged by simply rearranging the kitchen. A garage could be attached during construction, next to the family room, if a wider home is desired.



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Ingenious planning and the imaginative use of space have been combined in this 1392 square foot home, which will fit attractively on a 50 foot lot as illustrated, or could be turned 90 degrees to fit on a much wider lot. The center hall makes all areas accessible from either the front or rear entrance.

A big fireplace is located at the center of the end wall of the living room, and wide glass doors slide open to the roofed patio.

Heart of family living is the cheery and comfortable Kitchen-Family Room. Except for the half-wall that defines the eating nook the area is open, with windows on two sides and a door that leads to the patio which facilitates the serving of picnic type meals during the summer.

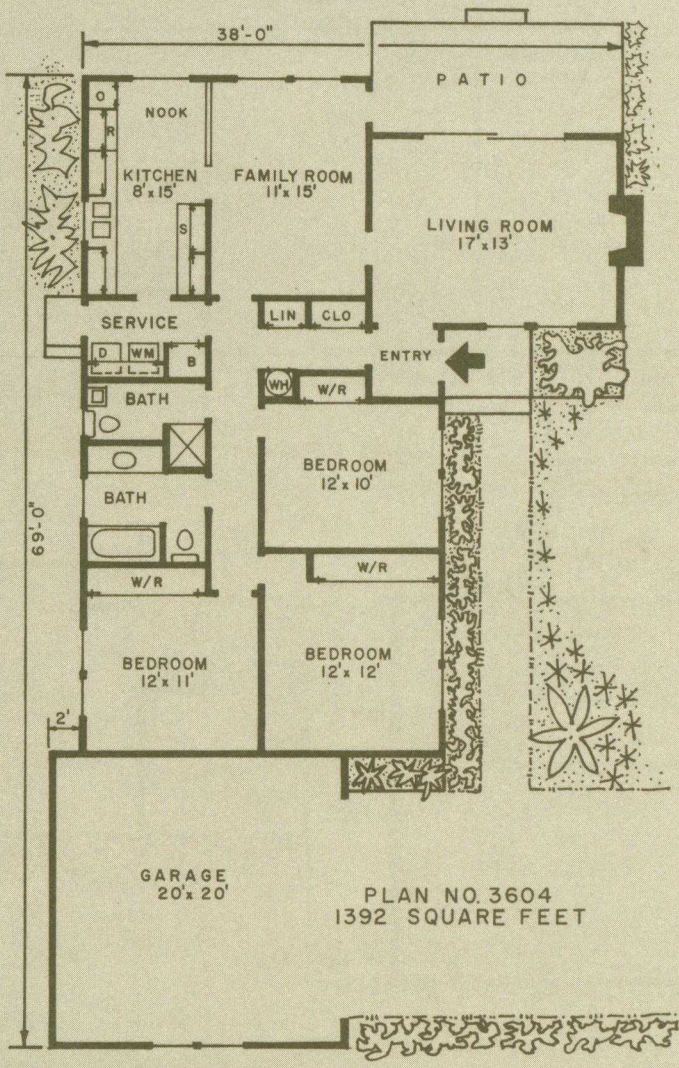
Long counter-tops, lots of overhead cupboards and built-in appliances add to the efficiency of the kitchen area. Home laundry equipment and broom storage are located out of the way in the service area.

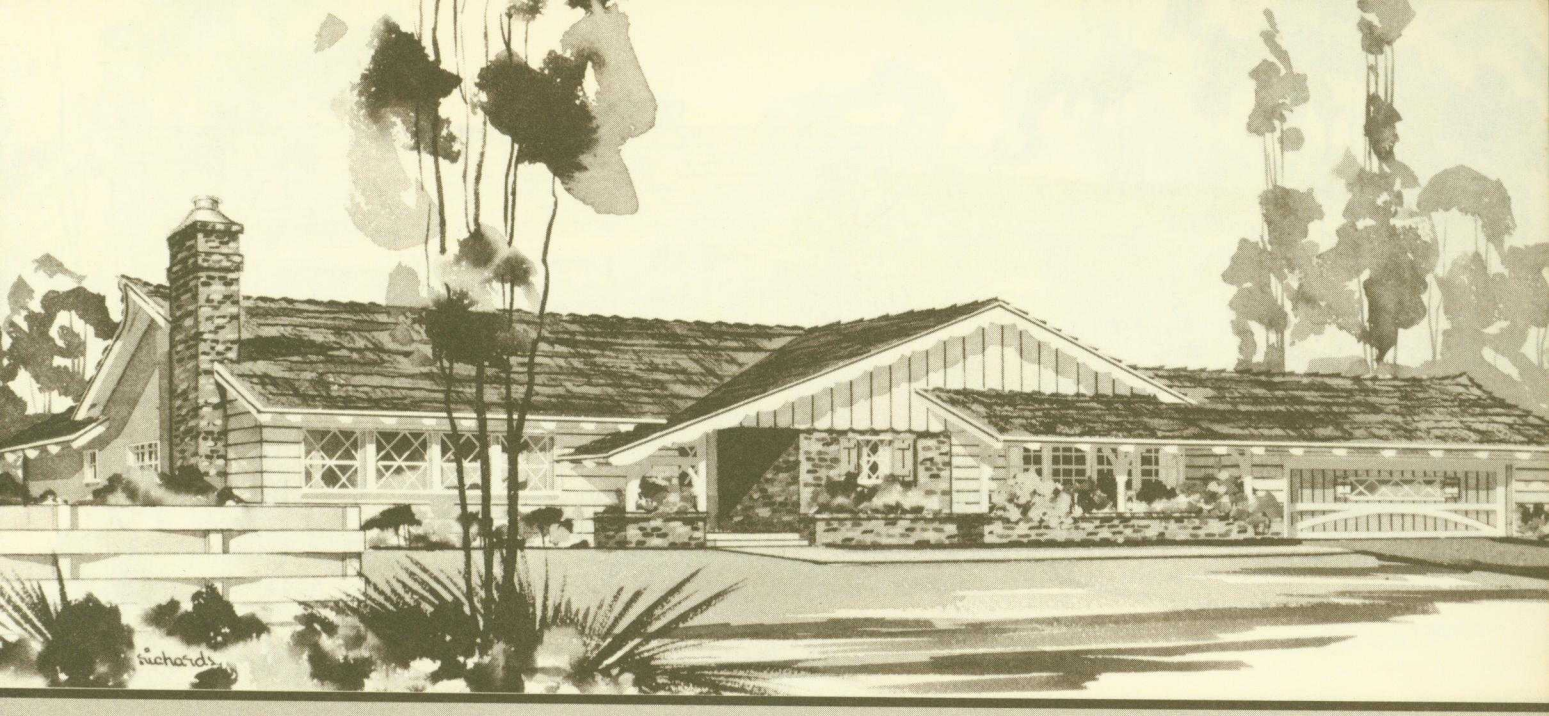
Three bedrooms and two baths open from the bedroom hall. The three-quarter bath has a tiled stall shower—the master bath a tub with overhead shower and a pullman lavatory.

Bedrooms are comfortably spacious, with plenty of light, large wardrobes and unbroken wall space for ease in arranging furniture.

To conserve building costs, all plumbing is centrally located. A horizontal forced air unit, installed in the attic, is easily accessible for service by means of a built-in ladder.

Uptilted gables lend a rustic touch to the stained shake roof. Vertical board and batten siding combines artistically with horizontal siding, and soft-hued stone is used for veneer, planters and chimney. A paddock-gate motif on the garage door, a birdhouse beneath the gable and a flower-pot shelf helps add to the exterior interest of this dream home.





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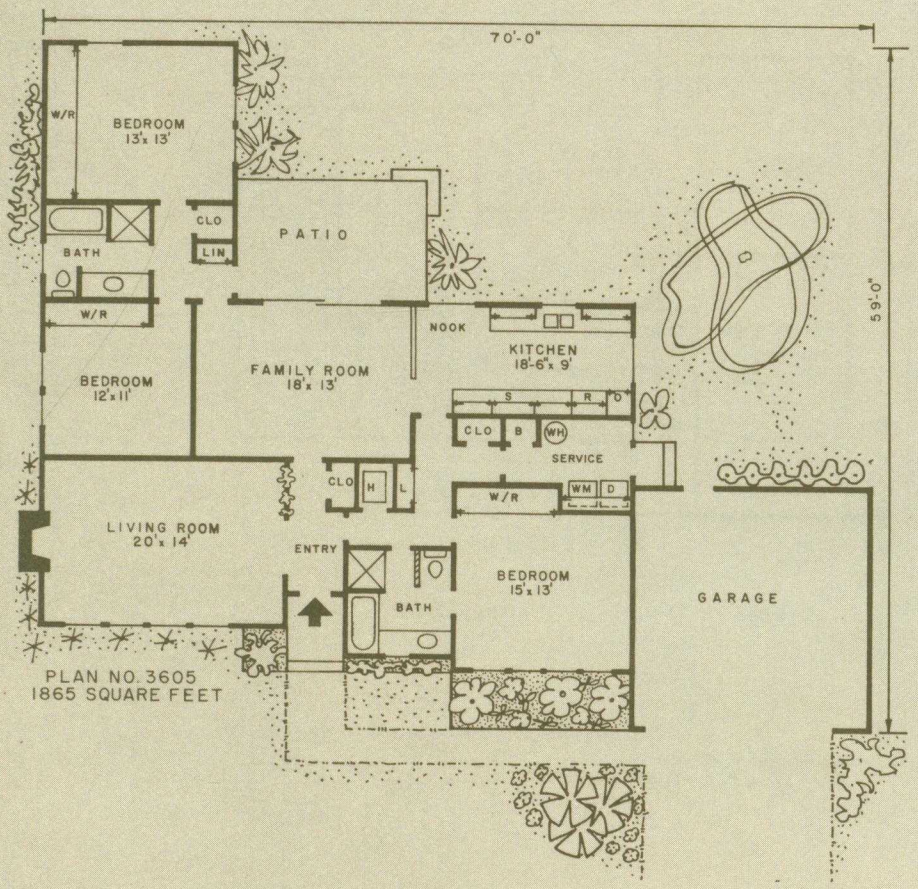


PLAN NO. 3605
1865 SQUARE FEET

From the chimney pot and upturned gables to the planters that flank the entrance, this home will captivate you with its charm of design and practical plan.

The long, low lines are enhanced by a rough cedar shake roof with band-sawn trim at the gables. The warm colored used brick in the chimney is repeated in the front facing and planters. Shutters and diamond paned windows lend a continental air to the exterior.

A planter topped half-wall separates the entry hall from the living room—a bright, cheery room with a wide fireplace and a bank of windows that looks out toward the street.

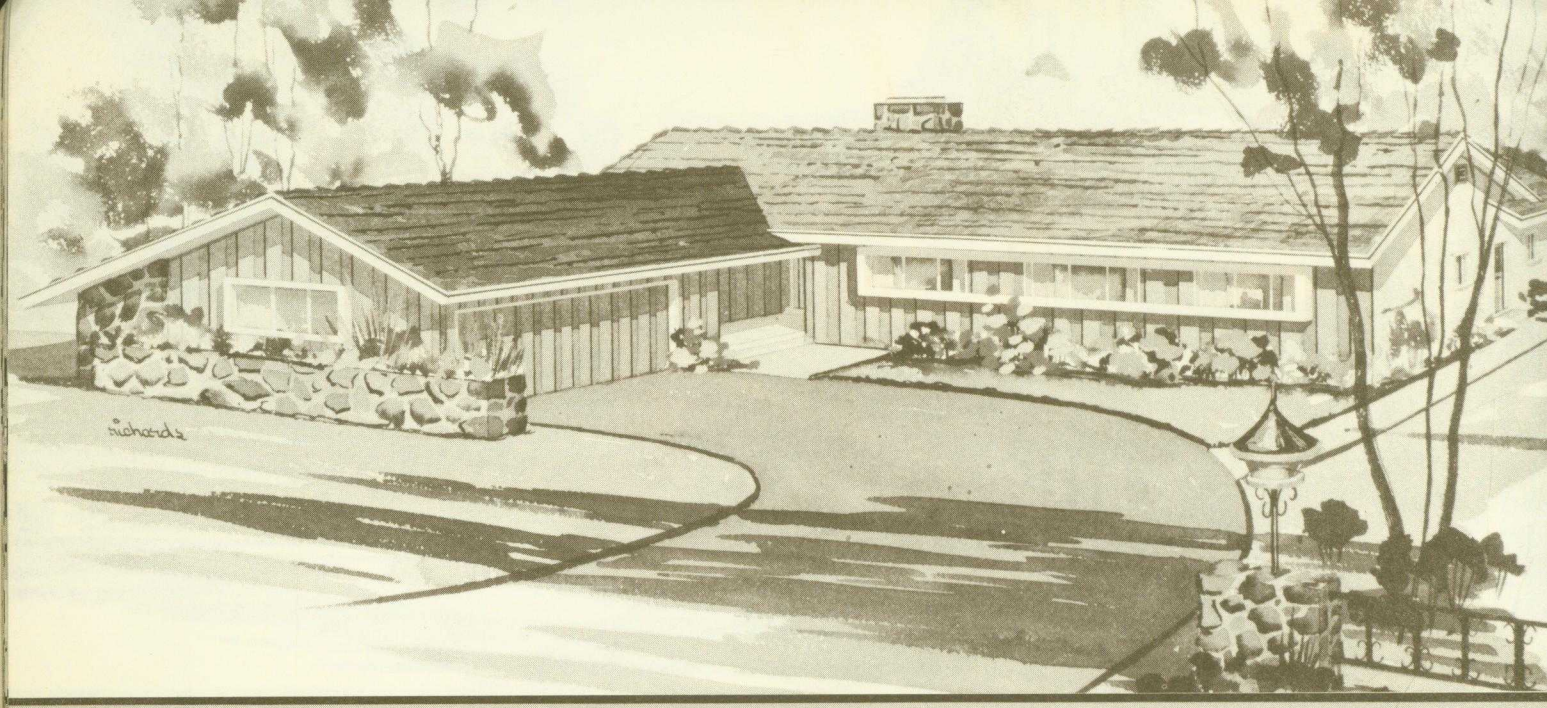
Planned to be the family activity center is the family room—actually an extension of the kitchen area, open except for a half-wall back at the back of the eating nook. Here is the spot for friendly, informal gatherings, for the children to play or the family to watch television. Glass doors merge indoors and outdoors in warm weather and summer meals could be served on the patio.

A door also leads from the patio to the bedroom wing, with shower and bath convenient to the rear yard.

The two bedrooms are ideal for teenage children, practically sound-proofed by their separation from the activity areas. The front bedroom could be master bedroom or den. A second complete bath opens to both this bedroom and the hall.

The unusually large service area holds ample room for washer, dryer, a freezer or a sewing area. A back door to the double garage is adjacent to the service entrance and one can get from the service to the remainder of the house without having to go through the kitchen.

An abundance of closets provides plenty of storage space for the average family.



The family lucky enough to own this home will find it adaptable to changing needs, tasteful through changing trends.

Rough shakes, vertical boards and stone enhance the neat Contemporary lines. Color-touched horizontal frames enclose the casement windows, and a stone planter provides a spot for bright flowers and greenery. Wide eaves extend to shelter the entry.

In keeping with the modern exterior, the front of the living room fireplace is flush with the wall. Large glass doors lead to the rear patio. Enclosed on three sides and partially roofed, the private terrace is a welcome spot for daytime relaxing and evening dining and entertaining in summer.

Two indoor dining areas are provided. One is the dining alcove, separated from the living room by a planter-topped half wall, and large enough that it could be walled completely as a separate dining room, if desired. For quick, informal meals, the roomy eating area in the kitchen is handy to the cooking area.

Appliances in the kitchen are built-in and can be obtained in decorator colors to match your kitchen color scheme. Overhead and under-counter cabinets, plus a small pantry offer ample storage space. Washer, dryer and broom closet have been located in the service area.

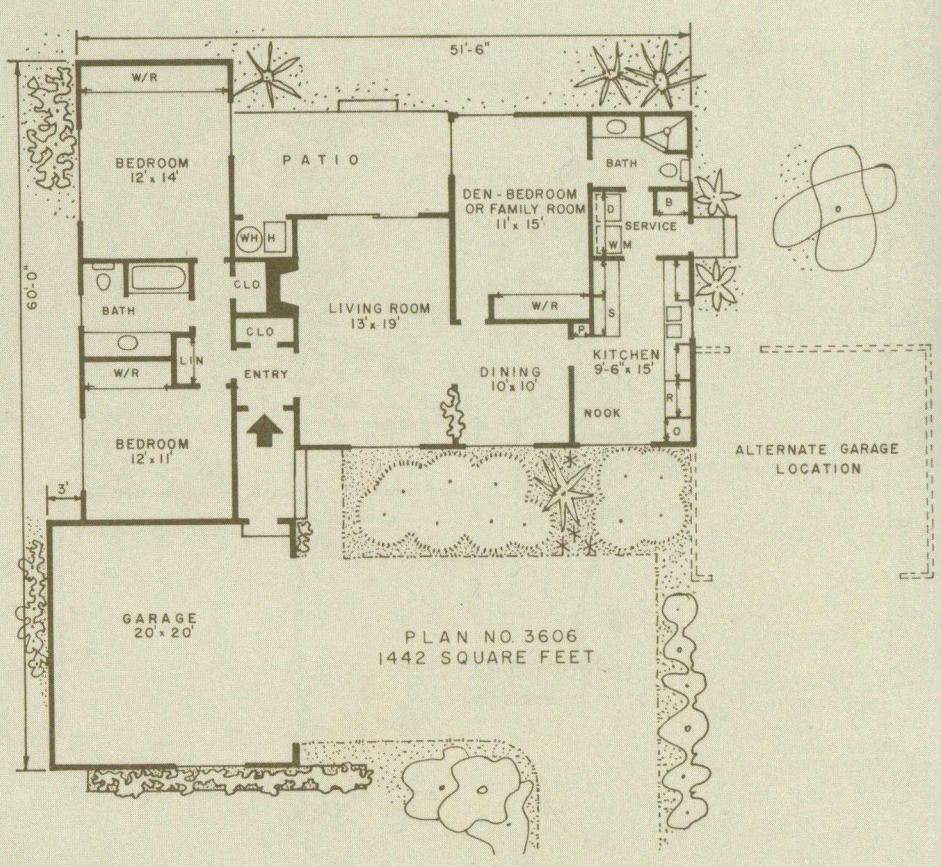
Planned for multiple use is the den, which could double as a third bedroom, or as a family room by removing the wardrobe and placing an opening in the kitchen wall.

The adjacent three-quarter bath is also accessible from the service area.

To maintain quiet and privacy, the family bedrooms are secluded from the activity areas of the home. Large wardrobes in the bedrooms, and three hall closets provide plenty of storage space.

The forced air heating unit and water heater may be serviced from the patio.

The garage may be attached as shown, at the front of the bedroom wing, or next to the kitchen when being built on a wide lot.



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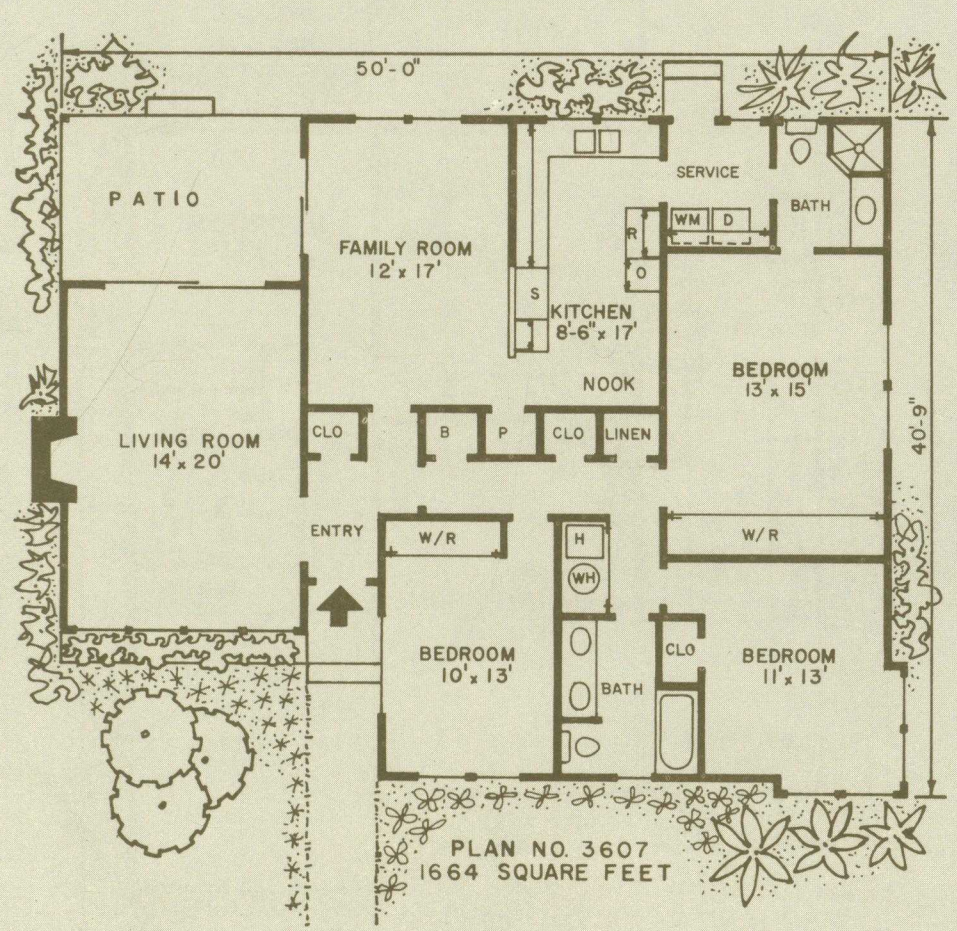


Within the charming rustic exterior of this home is a luxuriously modern interior plan. Vertical and horizontal siding are combined pleasingly with accents of fieldstone. The roof is of rough-hewn shakes and a corner bay window adds exterior interest and interior space. A long flower box and a stone planter provide for touches of greenery.

Centered on the long wall of the living room is a large stone fireplace. A bank of diamond paned windows lights the street side and sliding glass doors across the back open to the roofed patio.

More glass doors merge the patio and family room, to expand the living area in warm weather. A doorway could be located between the living room and family room, if desired.

A half wall and counter divide the family room from the kitchen area and a corner eating nook makes a handy spot for serving snacks and quick family meals. Stove and oven are built in, and wide windows light the work counters and double sink.

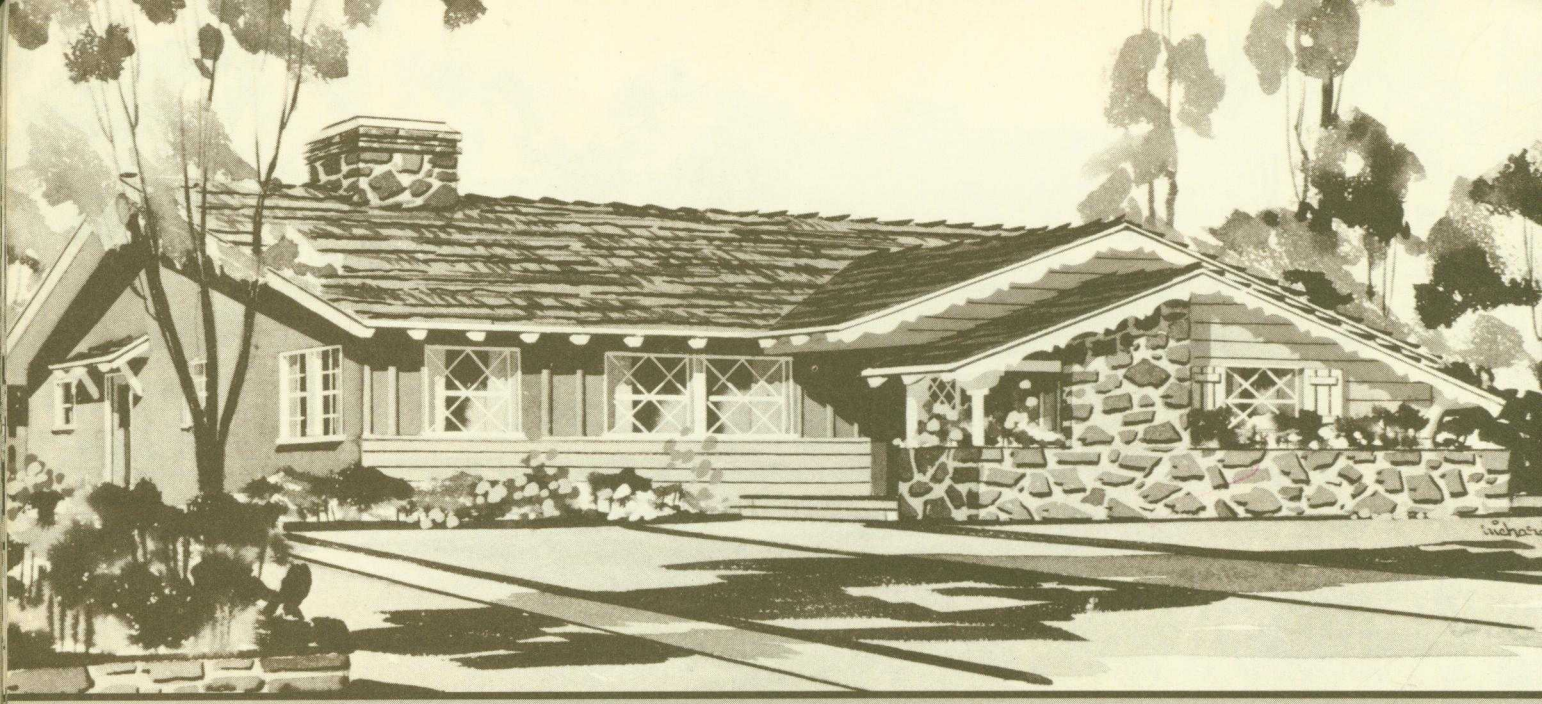
The service-laundry room opens to a three-quarter bath which is also available from the master bedroom.

One entire wall of the master bedroom is devoted to a sliding door wardrobe. Large closets are plus features of this home—in the bedrooms and along the bedroom hall. If necessary, one of the hall closets could be omitted and a door placed between the kitchen and hall.

Double pullman lavatories and recessed fixtures distinguish the master bath.

A centrally located forced air unit keeps this home at the desired temperature the year around.

If preferred, a garage could be attached to the front of Bedroom #2 or at the side of the living room during construction, depending on the size and shape of your lot.



Although it is planned for a 50 foot lot and covers only 1139 square feet, this enchanting home is deceptively spacious. Not a square foot of living area has been wasted. Unnecessary partitions have been omitted to create a feeling of expanded space, and halls have been kept to the essential minimum.

From the covered porch you enter a small foyer off the living room. Traffic channels easily from the front door to either the kitchen or bedroom hall without crossing the conversational areas of the room. Focal points of the living room is the big corner fireplace.

A half-wall with wood louvers over, is located between the dining area and living room. This unites these areas with the open kitchen. Thus the housewife can join in family conversation while she goes about the work of meal preparation and clean up.

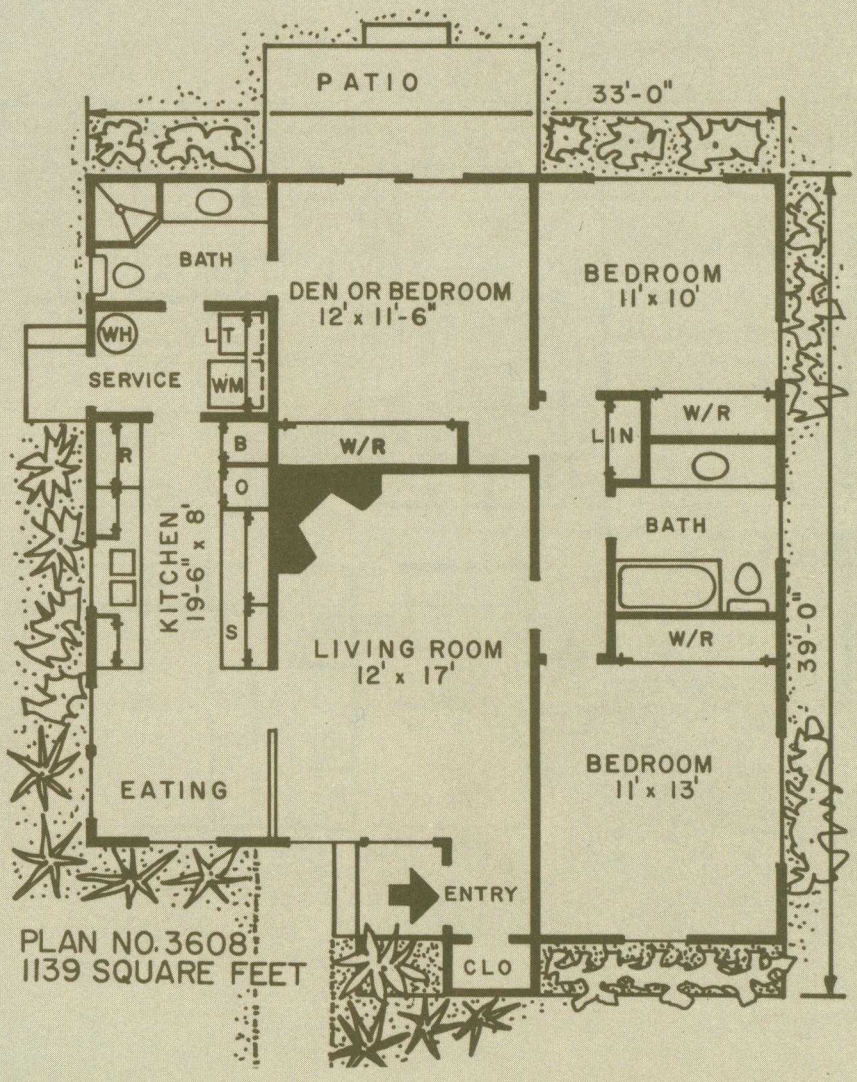
Range, oven and refrigerator are built in, and cupboards, ample counter tops and a broom closet assure step-saving efficiency. Washer, dryer and water heater are out of the way in the service entry. A laundry tray may be substituted for the dryer, if desired. A three-quarter bath opens to both the service area and master bedroom.

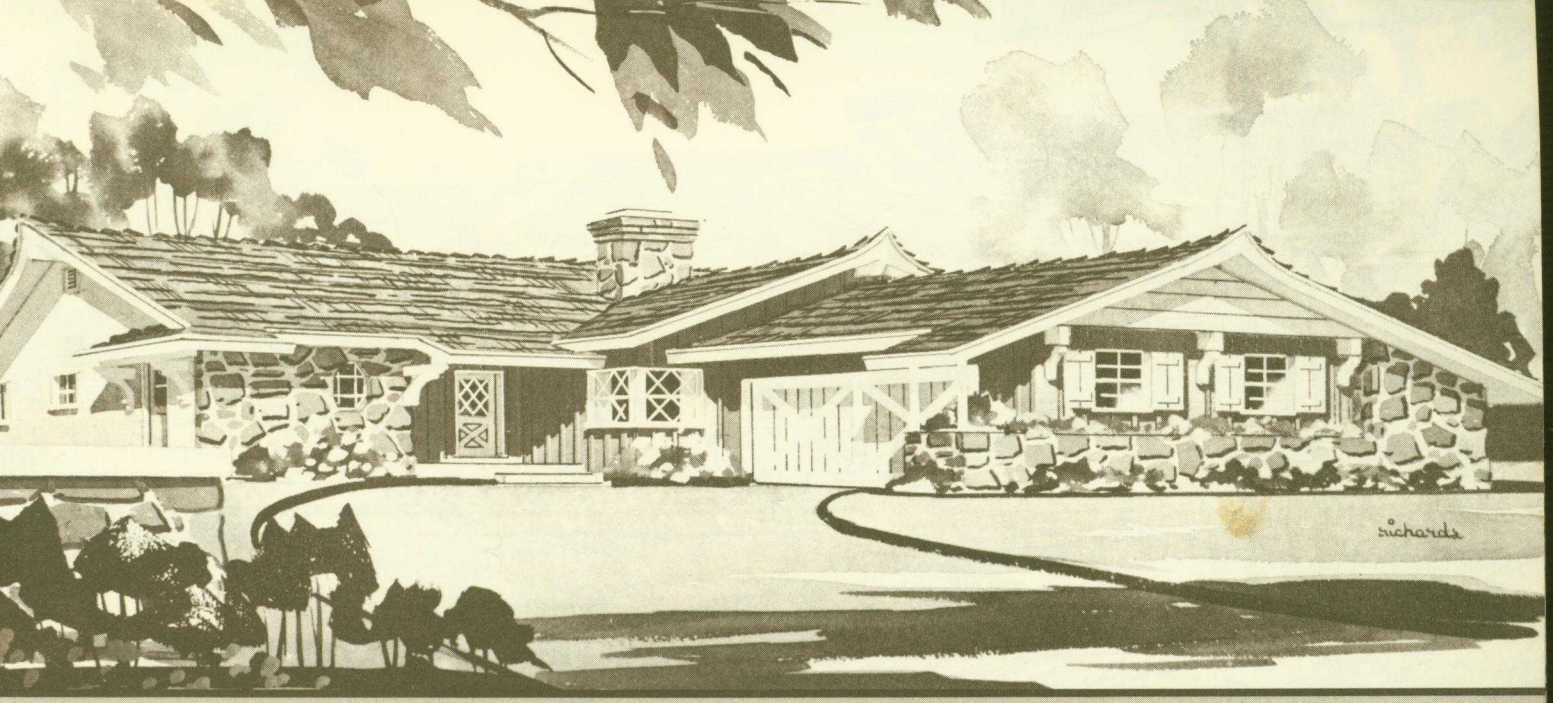
With a sliding wall of glass that opens to the patio, this bedroom could be converted into a den for a smaller family.

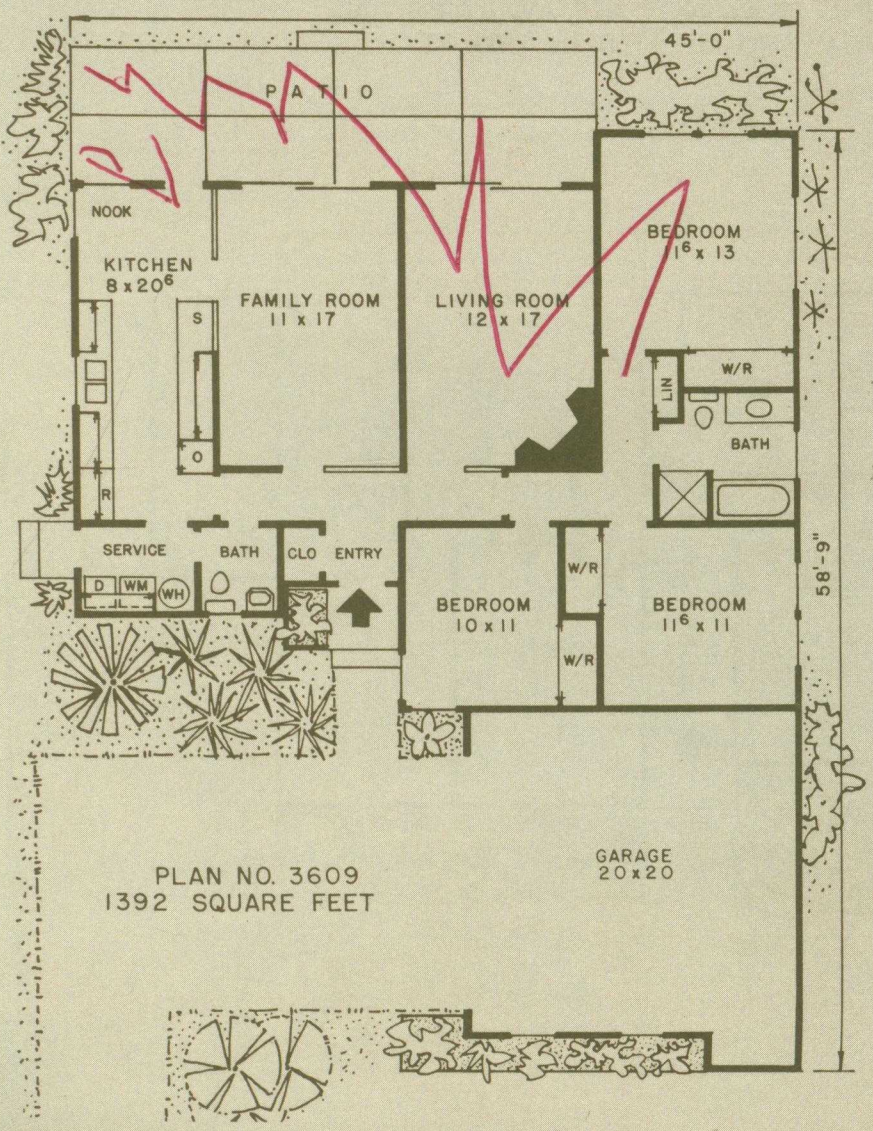
Large sliding door wardrobes have been provided in all bedrooms.

The family bath has a pullman lavatory with a cabinet below for towels and accessories. A linen closet opens onto the bedroom hall.

Bandsawn rafters at the gables trim the steeply pitched roof. Shutter-framed diamond-paned windows add Old World quaintness to the exterior. The stone used in the fireplace and chimney is also used as veneer and extends to form two planters.







PLAN NO. 3609
1392 SQUARE FEET

If your family enjoys relaxed indoor-outdoor living, this is the home for you. This design offers relatively large rooms throughout and yet the total square footage is less than 1400. Also, for privacy, the four main rooms of the home all face the rear yard and still the overall width is only 45 feet.

Extending over 32 feet across the rear, the partially roofed patio will be an integral part of your entertaining and activity area. Sliding glass doors in the living room and family room can be opened for airy, easy access to this private terrace, and a door from the large eating area in the kitchen will save steps when summer suppers are to be served outside. Wide eaves offer your choice of sun or shade while you relax or entertain outdoors.

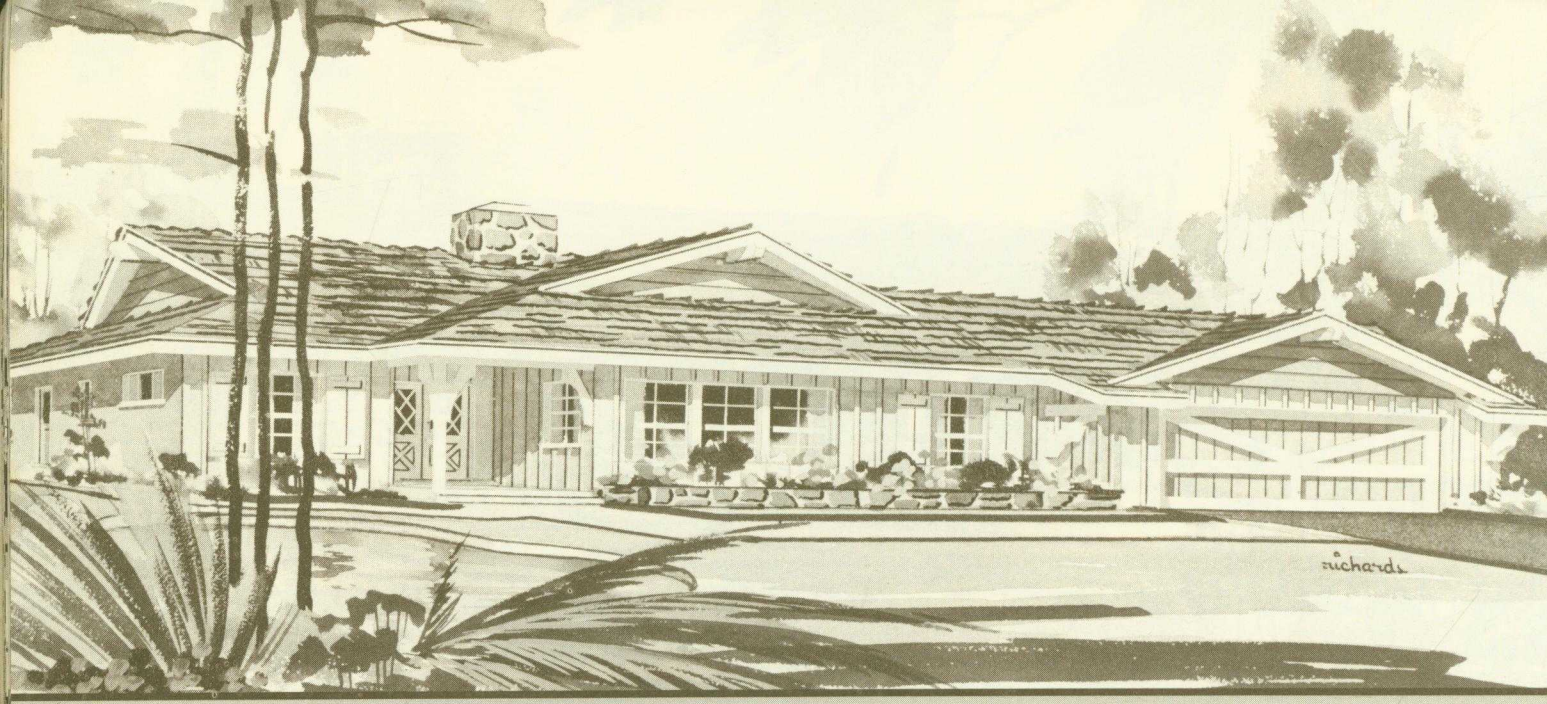
Highlight of the living room is the broad stone fireplace. A half-wall, open above, separates the living room and hall. A louvered section over a half-wall, screens the family room from the front entrance hall. Half-walls are also used to define the family room from the kitchen while increasing the feeling of open space and allowing mother to watch the small children, either in the family room or on the terrace.

In the kitchen, the range and oven are built in. Washer and dryer are located in the service area. The handy half-bath opens to both the service area and hall, to double as a powder room.

Three bedrooms are secluded in a quiet hall that can be closed off from the rest of the house. Wide wardrobes and plenty of windows make these rooms convenient, restful and attractive. A pullman lavatory, recessed tub and stall shower are features of the master bath.

To save closet space, a horizontal forced air heater has been located in the attic. A large attic access and a built-in ladder have been provided for easy access.

Upturned gables, shuttered windows and an abundance of stonework lend a rustic air to this ranch style home.



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To judge by the many luxury features of the 1586 square foot home, one would never guess that economy of construction was one of its chief advantages.

Rough-cut beams extend from the pointed gables and a field stone chimney tops the stained shake roof. A stone planter provides a place for colorful blossoms beneath the front windows. Vertical board and batten siding has been used on the front elevation.

From the sheltered porch double doors open to the entry foyer, which leads to both the living area and the private bedroom hall.

In the master bedroom, "Mr. & Mrs." wardrobes are separated by a built-in vanity table. The master bath between the two bedrooms has a recessed tub, partitioned water closet and pullman lavatory. The nearby water heater assures an abundance of hot water at all times and the central location of the forced air heater will keep air ducts short which will help lower construction costs. A telephone table and linen closet are located in the hall.

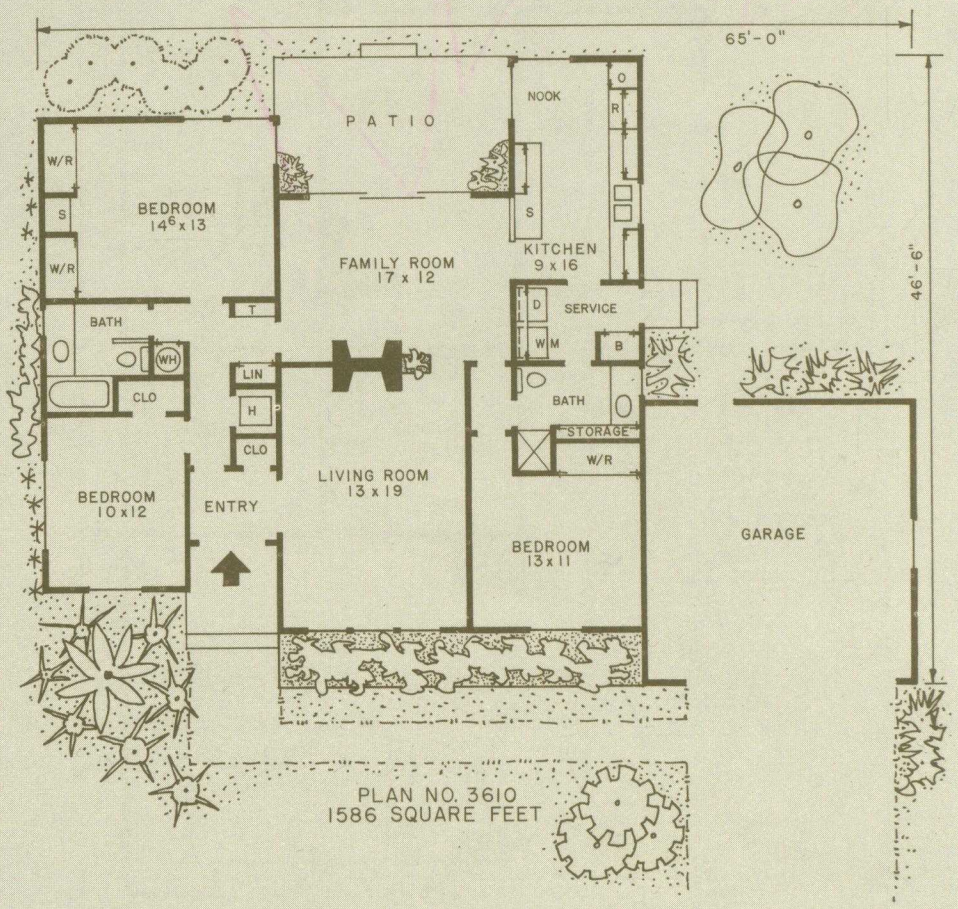
The two fireplaces in the living area can be built as a unit. The one in the family room could be a barbecue, if desired. A half-wall and planter beside the fireplace defines the two rooms, while enhancing the open feeling of the living area. Triple glass doors open between the family room and patio.

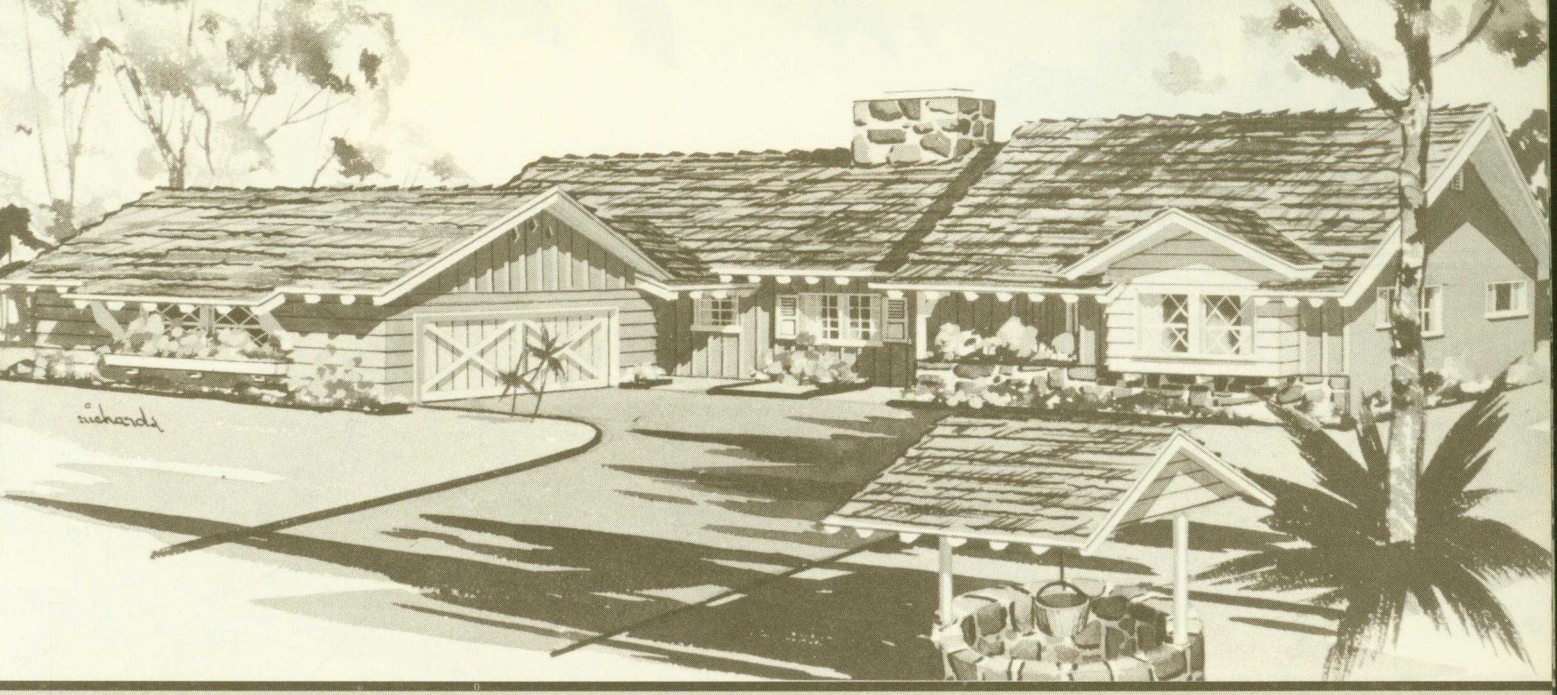
Partially roofed, sheltered on three sides, and only a step from the kitchen, this rear terrace will be your private outdoor living and dining room in summer.

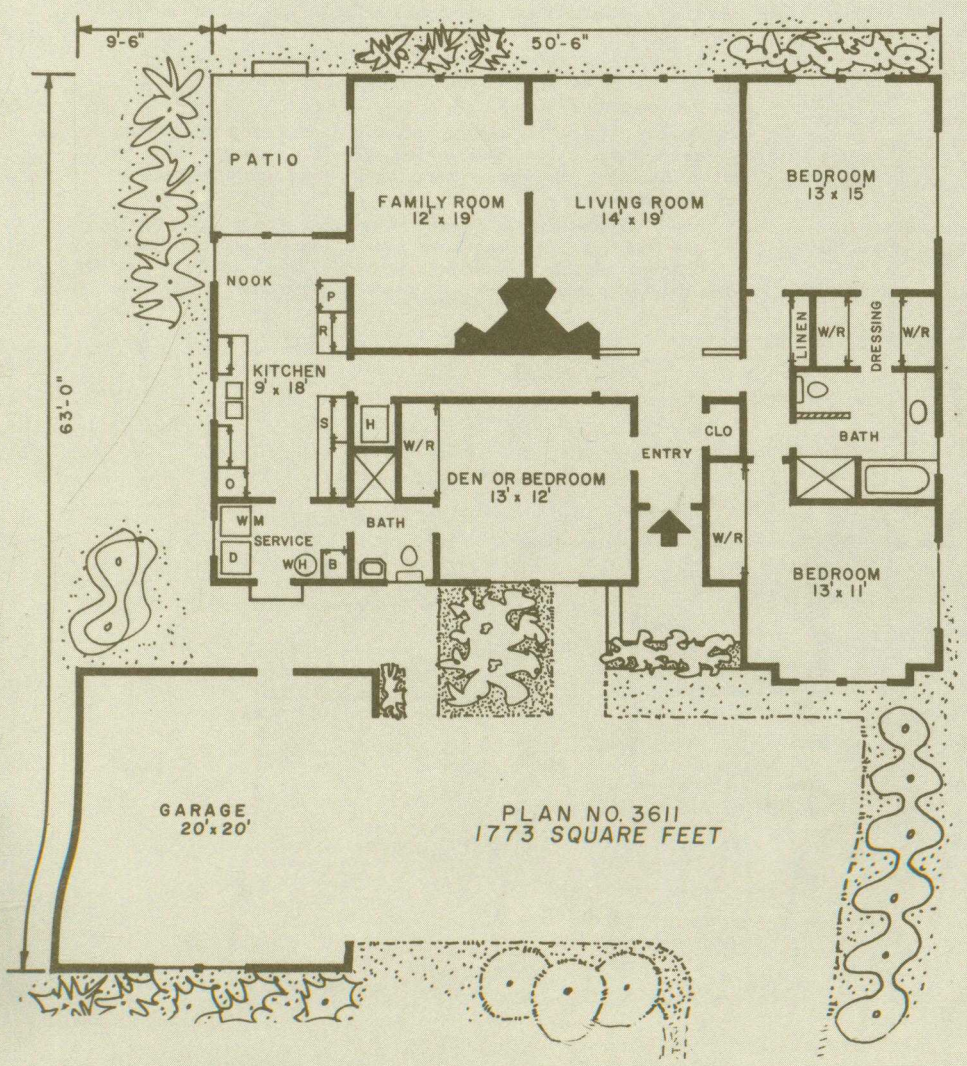
Corner windows brighten the eating area in the large, well-planned kitchen. Range, oven and refrigerator are built-in. Long counter tops and plenty of cupboards make this an ideal work center.

A space-saving sliding door opens between the three-quarter bath and service-laundry room. A second door makes this bath accessible to the family and den-guest room.

A double garage faces the street, with a rear door near the service entrance of the house.







Extended gables accentuate the interesting lines of the shake roof, giving this home the look of a storybook cottage. The front entry and rear patio have been completely roofed. Lending textural contrast to the wood siding, soft-colored stone is used as a facing for the chimney and as veneer at the front bedroom as well as the planter at the entry.

The center hall plan makes all areas accessible to the entry. A half-wall between the living room and hall admits light to the entrance area.

The living room and family room have big corner fireplaces, back-to-back. Double sliding doors between these rooms can unite them for parties, or separate them when parents and younger family members are entertaining separate groups.

The family room could also double as a separate dining room. Sliding glass doors open to the covered patio, and the windows between the kitchen and patio could be used as a pass-through when summer suppers are served outdoors.

Planned for easy care and work efficiency, the kitchen has built-in appliances. A floor-to-ceiling pantry is a handy place for storing trays, linens and canned goods.

Home laundry appliances, water heater and broom closet are out of the way in the service area. The adjacent three-quarter bath also opens to the den or guest room.

Both family bedrooms are spacious and light, with cross-ventilation and unusually large closets. In the master bedroom a dressing room with wardrobes on each side opens to the family bath, which contains both a tub and stall shower. Fixtures are recessed, and the pullman lavatory has storage cabinets below.

A large linen closet opens from the hall. The forced air unit, closeted off the center hall can be easily equipped for summer air conditioning as well as winter heating for this 1773 square foot home.

A breezeway shelters passage between the service area and the large double garage.

Pace-setting styling is the outstanding achievement of this 2088 square foot Contemporary home.

A low-pitched crushed rock roof extends wide eaves on all sides, accentuating the beauty of the clean, uncluttered lines. In contrast with the vertical board siding, stucco panels alternate with the aluminum casement windows in long horizontal frames and rugged stone is used as veneer and to form a planter near the entry.

From the sheltered entry, double doors swing inward to the large entry foyer and central hall. Large sliding glass doors open this home to your private patio and garden, uniting the entire indoor living area with the outdoors for easy, airy summer living. In colder seasons, sealed tight, these sliding glass doors will present a sweeping view, according to your location.

The widely overhanging eaves shield this glass area from summer glare, but allow low-slanting winter sunlight access for extra warmth and light.

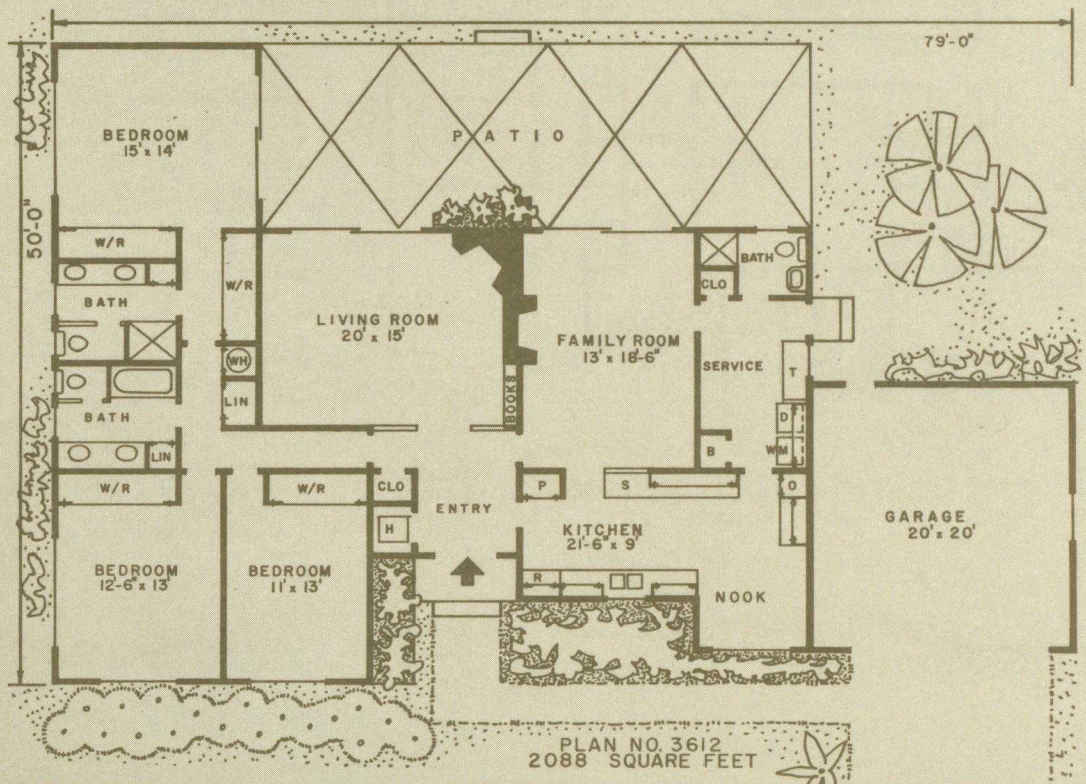
The deep corner fireplace in the living room is connected to a wide fireplace or barbecue in the family room. Built-in bookcases have been located in the living room.

Especially attractive is the kitchen-family room area. Open above a half-wall, these two rooms will be an informal family activity center.

The spacious dining alcove off the kitchen is a well-lighted spot for family meals. The family room could serve as a dining room for company dinners.

Unusually large, the service area offers space for home laundry appliances, deep freezer and sewing area. The adjacent clean-up bath is handy to the kitchen area, family room, garage-workshop and play yard.

Ingenious planning is evident in the twin family baths—one with recessed tub, one with stall shower. Both have partitioned water closets, double lavatories and handy towel cabinets. Two water heaters assure this home of plenty of hot water at all times.



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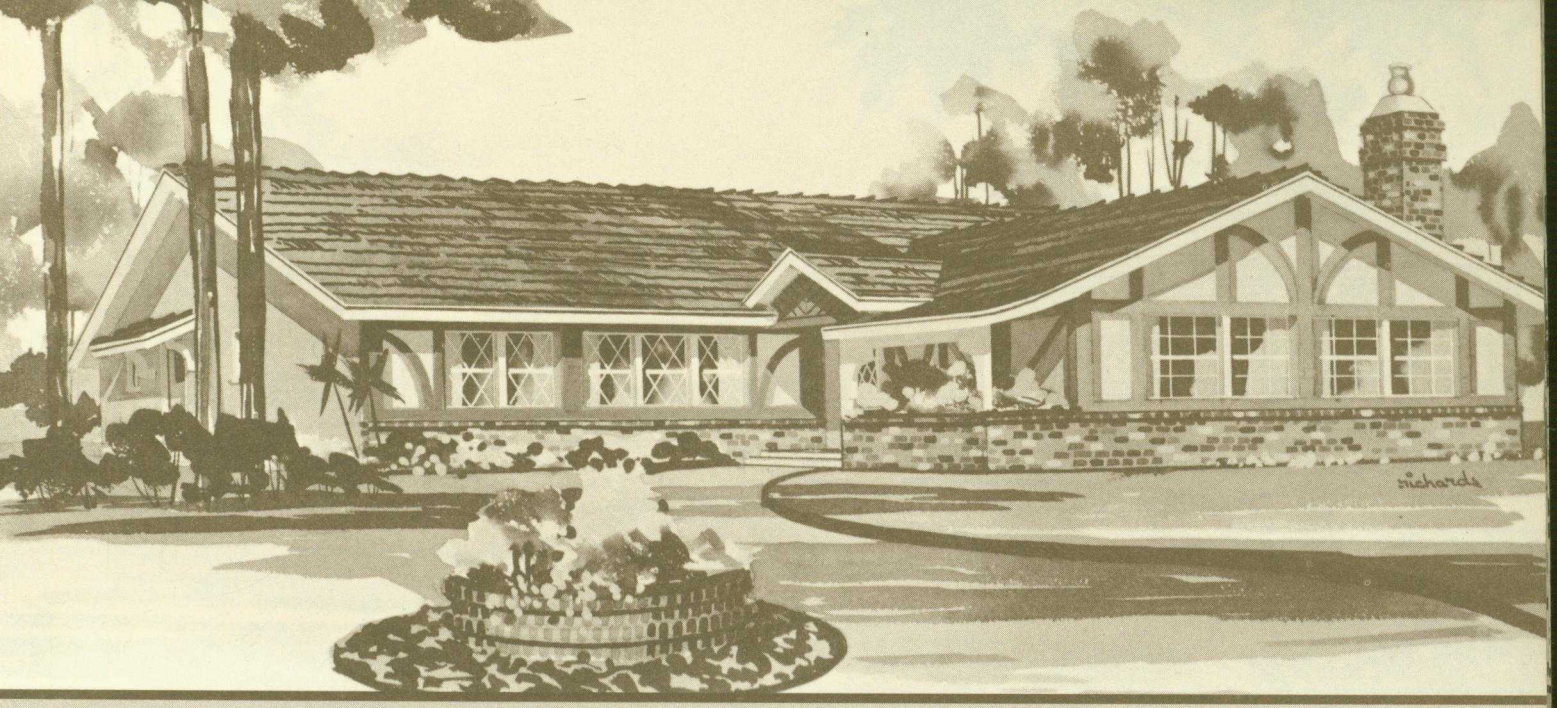
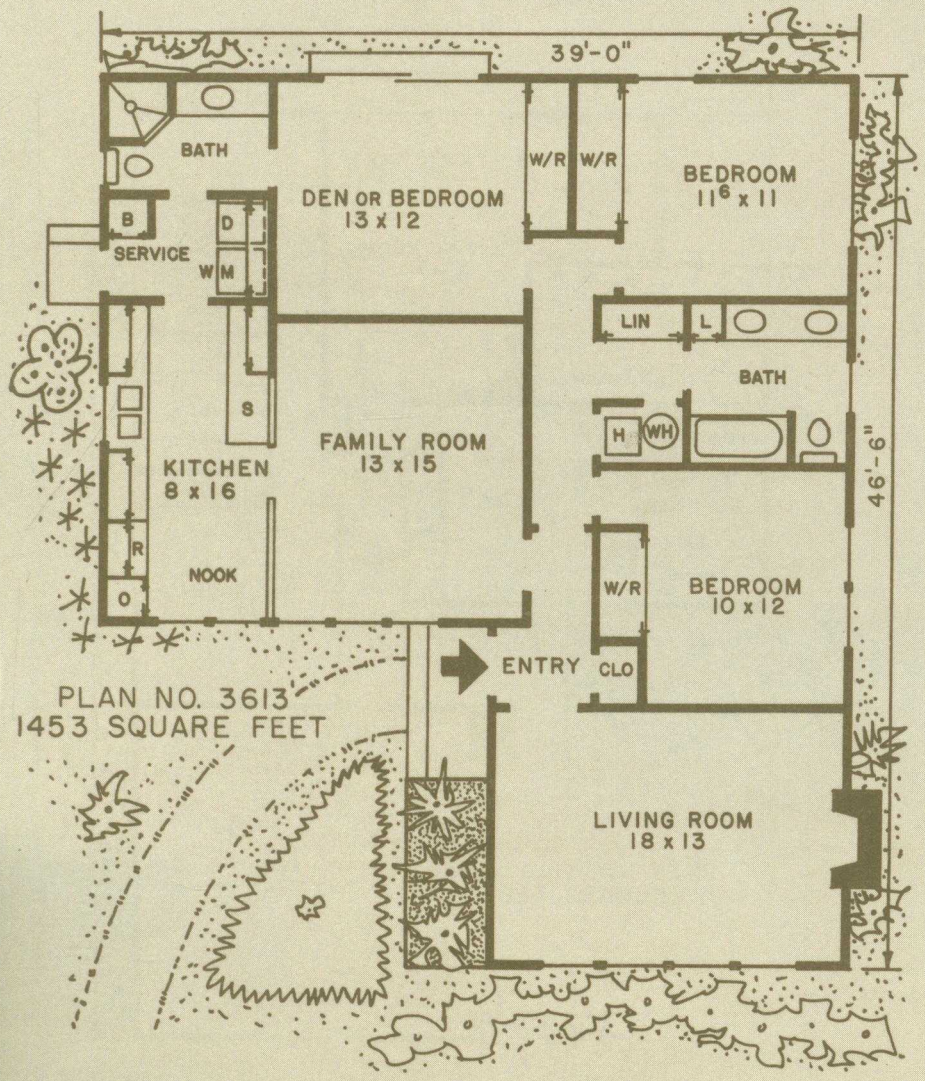
2088 SQUARE FEET





PLAN NO. 3613
1453 SQUARE FEET

There's a feeling of sincere hospitality in this Traditional English cottage style home.

Half-timbers protrude from stucco gables beneath the dark-stained shingle roof. A chimney pot tops the brick chimney, and brick veneer extends across the front of the house as well as being used to form a planter beside the porch. Small-paned windows enhance the "Old Country" charm.

Ideal for the family with half-grown children, this home provides two completely separate areas for entertaining. The front living room, with its banks of windows and wide brick fireplace, can be kept free of toys and clutter, always ready for adult company. The family room, which blends visually with the kitchen, provides an informal atmosphere for mother's morning coffee-klatch or the children's after-school snack-fest. The family room could also double as a dining room.

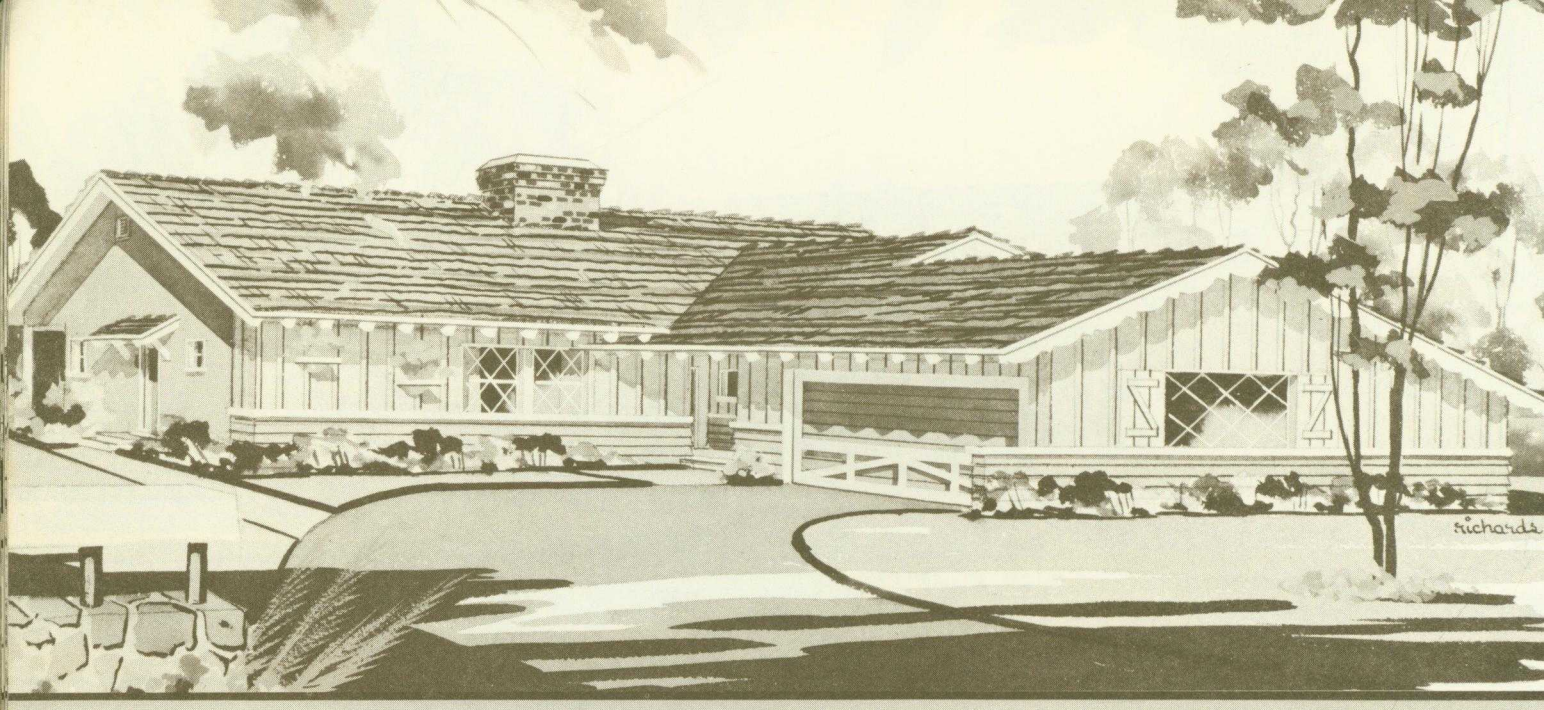
Well arranged appliances and work surfaces, ample cupboards and lots of light add to the attractiveness of the kitchen. The nook area offers a spot for the serving of family meals.

Washing machine and dryer are located in the service area. Overhead cupboards and a broom closet add storage space for household accessories.

Open to both the work area and master bedroom is the three-quarter bath, with stall shower and pullman lavatory. Large glass doors in the master bedroom slide open to the rear yard. In all bedrooms the wardrobes are exceptionally roomy, with shelf space above and drawers below. Wide, unbroken wall areas will make it easy to arrange large pieces of bedroom furniture in a number of ways.

Double lavatories, recessed fixtures and a towel cabinet are convenient features of the family bath.

A linen closet, heater and water heater closet opens from the bedroom hallway.



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Within 1200 square feet this three bedroom home incorporates the comfort and convenience usually found only in much larger dwellings.

Closets are everywhere—roomy wardrobes in the bedrooms with drawers below for storage; a guest closet near the entrance; a linen closet opposite the bathroom door and a broom storage in the service.

The two baths have recessed fixtures and pullman lavatories with cabinets underneath. The three-quarter bath, opening to both the service and den-bedroom, has a stall shower—the family bath, a tub with overhead shower.

There's space in the service for water heater and home laundry appliances. The forced air heating unit is out of the way in the garage, where it can be easily cleaned out and serviced.

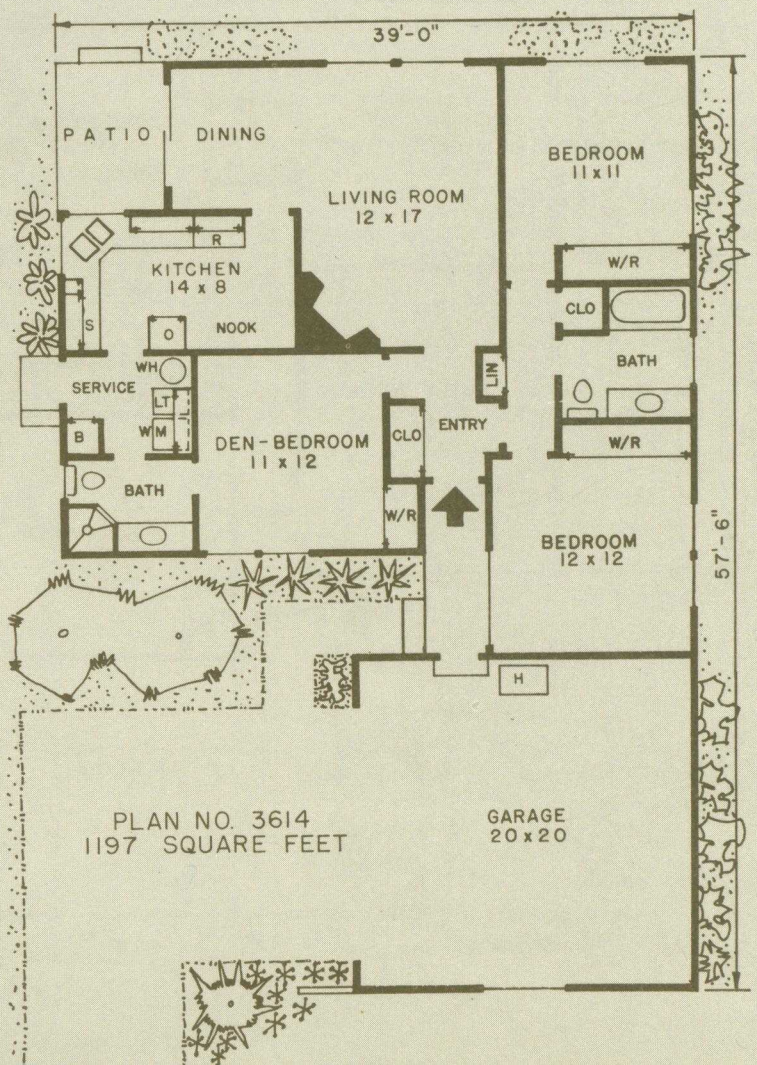
In the kitchen, corner windows brighten the double sink, and stove, oven and refrigerator are built in and color matched to your decor.

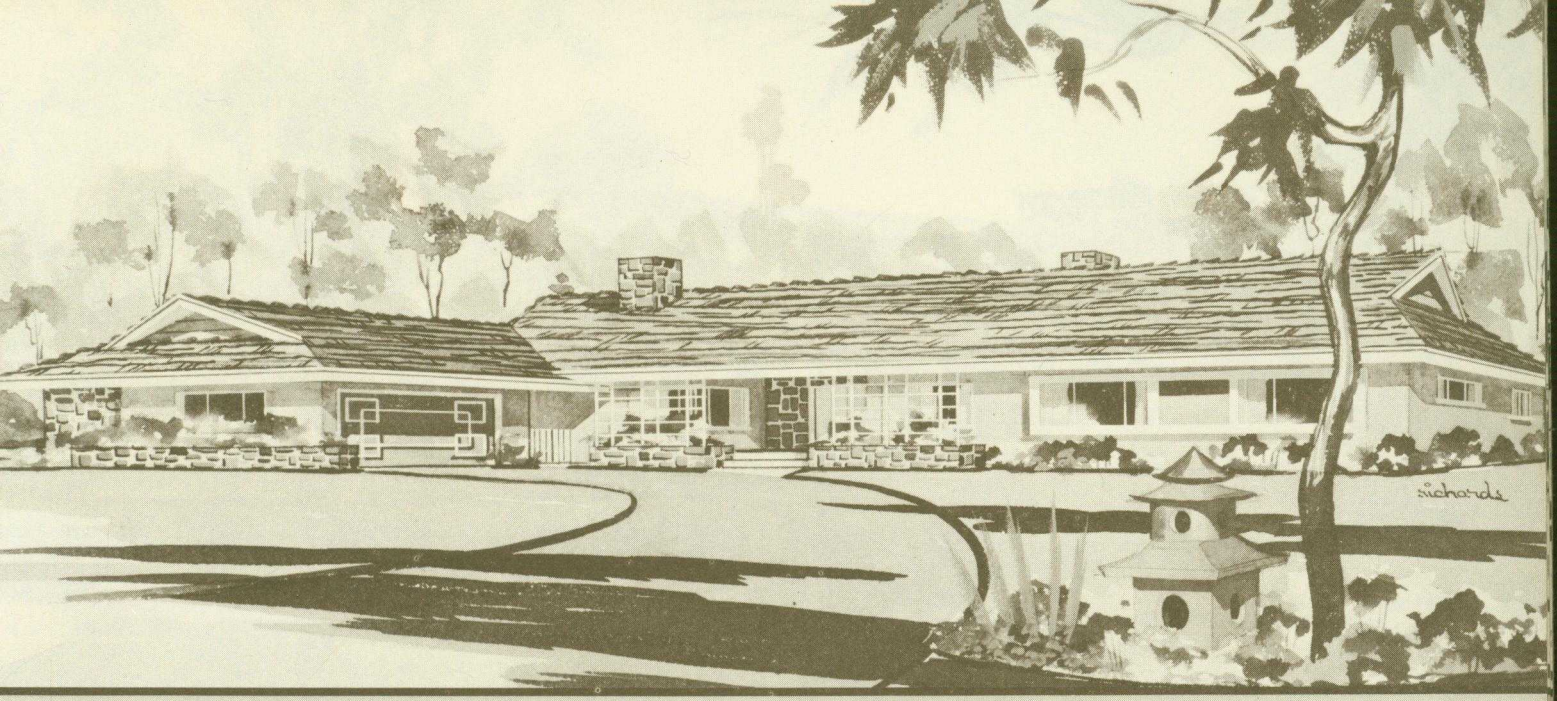
The eating nook is handy for serving quick meals and snacks.

By combining the living room and dining room, each area becomes more open and spacious. Sliding glass doors across the dining room wall open to the roofed patio, providing an all-season outdoor view and a warm-weather spot for lounging and outdoor dining.

The focal point of the living room is the large corner fireplace, around which furniture can be arranged in conversational groupings.

Bandsaw work trims the gables of the stained shake roof. Vertical and horizontal siding combine for a pleasing design effect and shutters on diamond paned windows lend an air of quaintness. A paddock-gate motif adds interest to the door of the double garage, and a side door, opening to the porch, provides covered passage from the garage to the house in bad weather.





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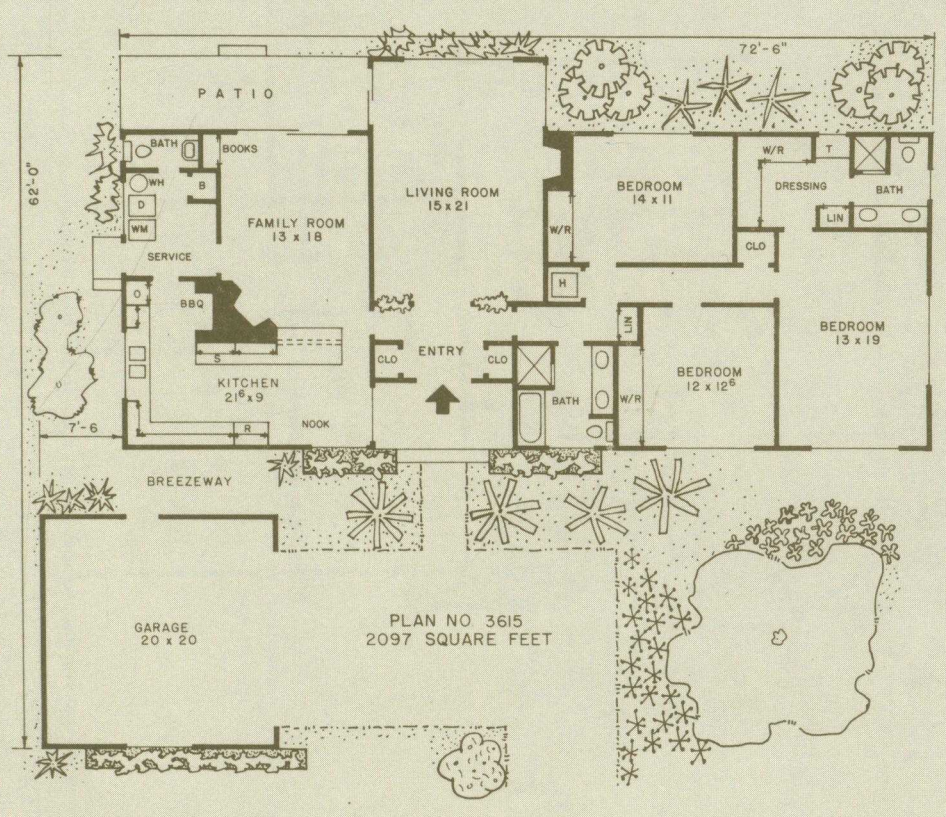


Long, clean lines and the lavish use of glass lend a quiet elegance to this 2097 square foot Contemporary home.

The three bedrooms, two and a half baths, and its many luxury features make this a home to own proudly and live in with a maximum of comfort and a minimum of care.

A shake roof tops the soft-hued stucco exterior, and square-cut stone has been utilized for both planters and veneer.

Two guest closets flank the double entry doors while planters open the living room to the foyer. The big stone fireplace is flush in the wall, allowing unbroken wall space for ease in arranging furniture. A broad picture window extends across the end wall of the living room and glass doors lead to the roofed patio.

Sliding glass doors also merge the patio and family room—a spacious, informal activity center, with a huge corner fireplace and a snack bar open to the kitchen.

Backing the family room fireplace is the barbecue in the kitchen. Oven, surface cooking units and refrigerator are built in.

The service area provides space for washer, dryer, broom closet, frozen food locker and a handy clean-up bath.

The center hall may be closed to maintain quiet and privacy in the bedroom wing. Big wardrobes in the bedrooms double as sound proofing between the activity area and sleeping zone. The family bath—with recessed fixtures and pullman lavatory—can serve as a guest powder room.

The luxurious master bedroom has an unusually large wardrobe-dressing room with linen closet and built-in vanity, and a three-quarter bath with "Mr." & "Mrs." lavatories.

Fine craftsmanship gives the mark of quality to this three bedroom home. Bandsawn work trims the gables of the rough shake roof, and warm red brick contrasts with the painted board on board siding.

A corner fireplace faces a bank of huge windows that light two sides of the spacious living room. Expanding the living area is the dining alcove, with a wall of glass doors that open to a broad rear patio.

A separate eating area in the kitchen offers a place for hasty family meals. A hooded range, built-in oven, wide counters and plenty of cupboards are planned to save steps and work for the houeswife.

Washer and dryer in the service entry have cabinets overhead, and a handy broom closet affords storage space for household needs.

From the entrance the center hall channels traffic to each area, no room being used as a passage to another.

The three bedrooms, secluded for quiet and privacy, have spacious wardrobes and plenty of windows for light and air.

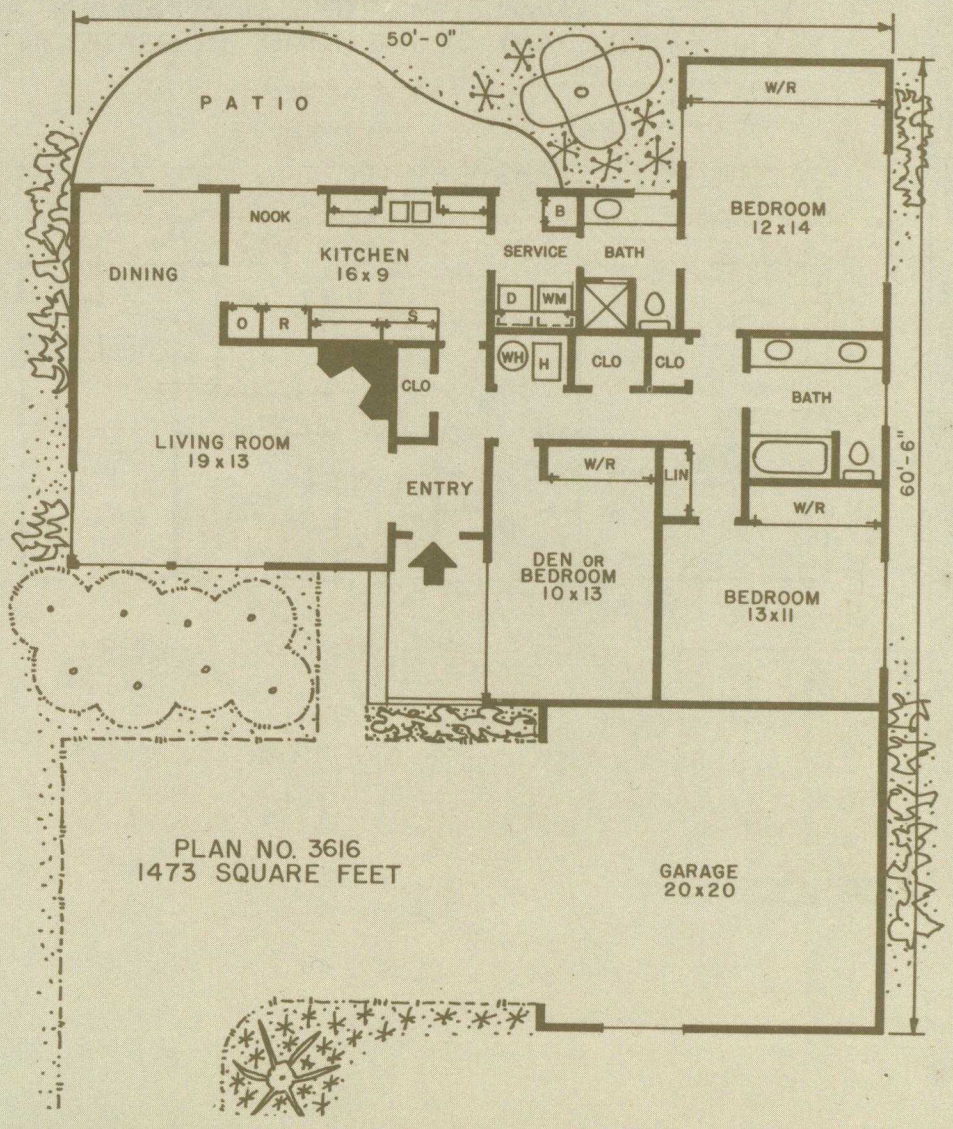
Semi-partitioned fixtures and twin lavatories are features of the family bath.

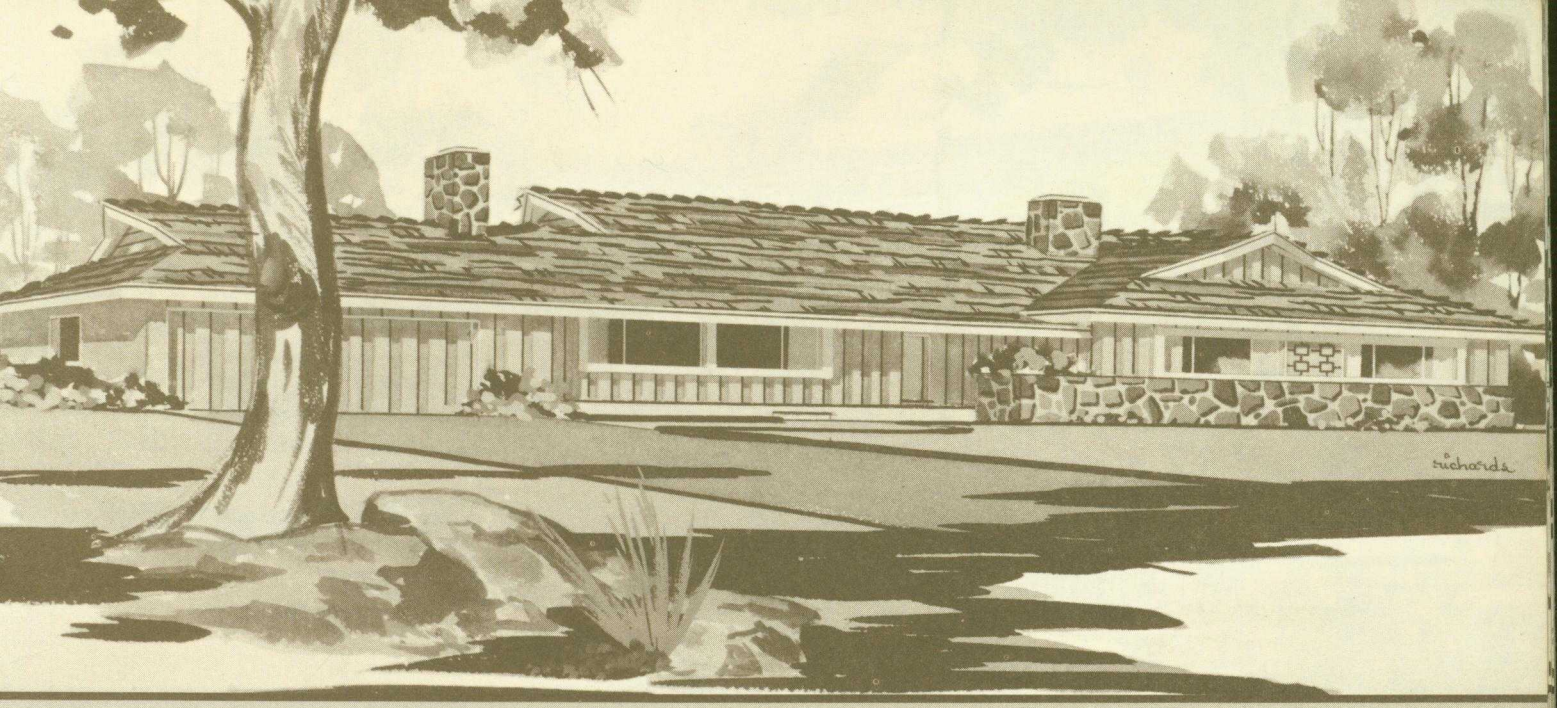
Off the large master bedroom is a separate three-quarter bath, accessible also from the service area.

The thermostatically controlled forced air heater and water heater are centrally located in a closet off the center hall, where they can be serviced easily. Four other hall closets provide an unusually amount of family storage space.

The double garage is placed in front for easy access from the street.

With an overall width of only 50 feet, this 1473 square foot home will fit neatly on a fairly narrow lot.





There's something very friendly about a Ranch-style home. The rough shake roof extends pointed gables over an exterior of painted board on board siding. Stone veneer extends to form a planter, shielding the partially roofed porch, from which double doors swing inward to the entrance hall.

The broad stone fireplace can be enjoyed from both areas of the spacious living-dining room. A second fireplace fills one corner of the big family room-kitchen.

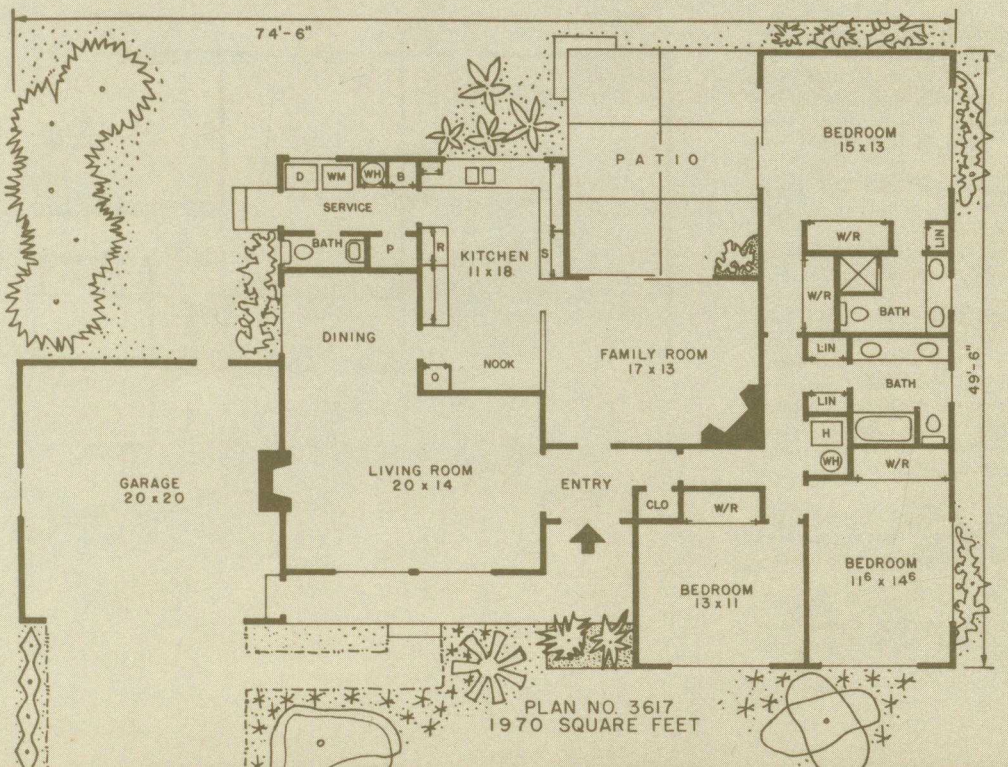
The kitchen itself is unusually large, with wide casement windows over a double sink, broad work counters, plenty of cabinets and built-in appliances. A broom closet and pantry in the service provide additional storage space. Washer and dryer are convenient, and a half-bath is handy to the work area and play yard. The rear door to the double garage is only a step from the service door.

Only a half-wall back of the eating nook marks the division between the work area and the homey, informal family room.

Broad glass doors open to the rear patio from both the family room and master bedroom. Sheltered on three sides, this private terrace can be an outdoor lounge for sunning, play and relaxation, out of view of neighbors.

In the master bedroom "his" and "her" wardrobes provide ample closet space, and a linen closet opens near the private three-quarter bath. Double pullman lavatories are features of both bedrooms, located side by side to keep plumbing lines short and construction costs down.

Linen closets flank the entrance to the family bath, and other closets provide room for a centrally located forced air unit and second water heater.



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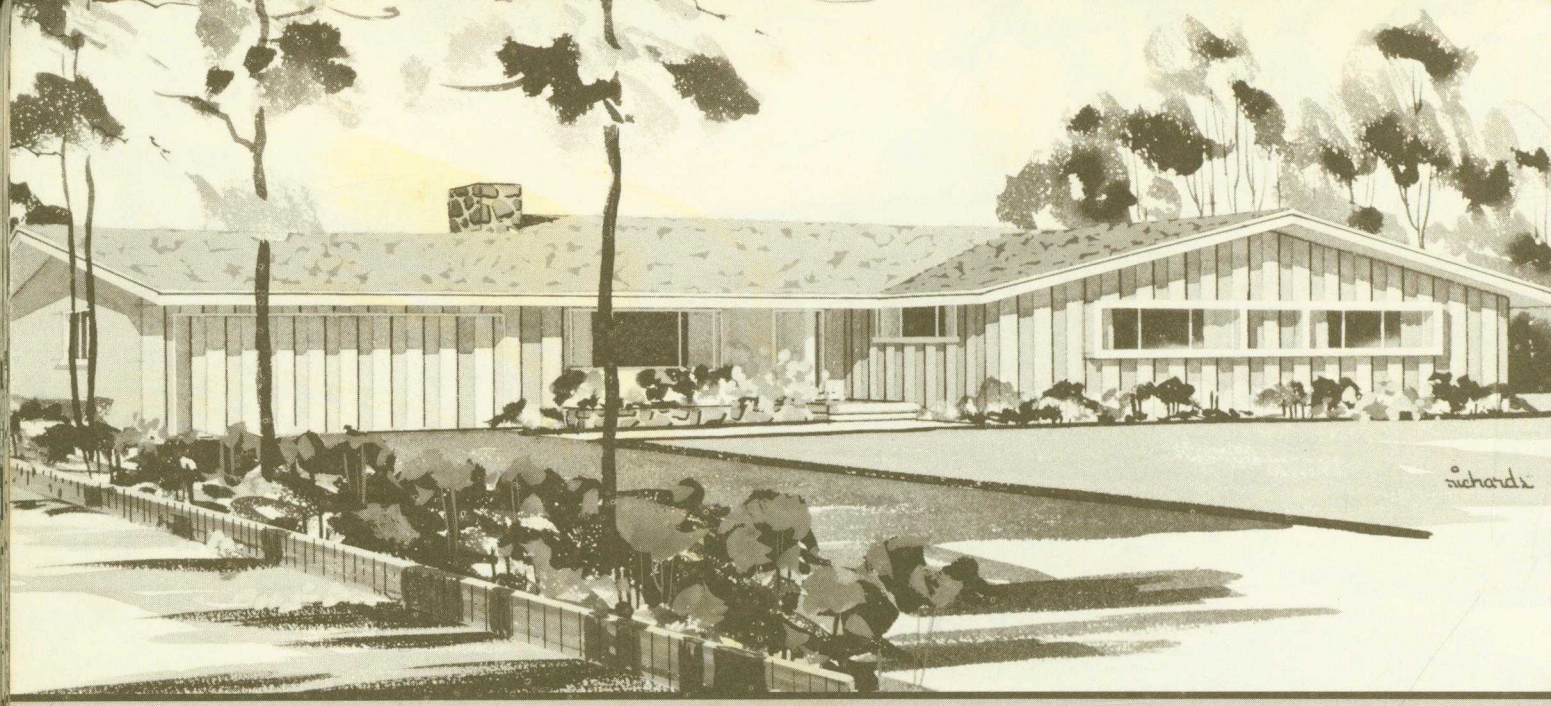
1970 SQUARE FEET



Beautiful simplicity of line and economy of construction make this Contemporary home doubly attractive.

The crushed rock roof covering could be changed to cedar shakes or shingles if desired. Long horizontal frames surround the casement windows. Vertical siding and stucco combine for exterior interest, and a stone planter edges the covered porch.

Family activities were the major consideration in planning the big kitchen-family room. At one end of this open area is the step-saving work area, with built-in appliances, corner windows over a double sink, and a spacious eating area. Only a half-wall marks the separation between this and the activity area, where the small children have room to play or where one may entertain informally. Thus the living room, with its huge stone fireplace, is kept free of toys and clutter for adult gatherings.

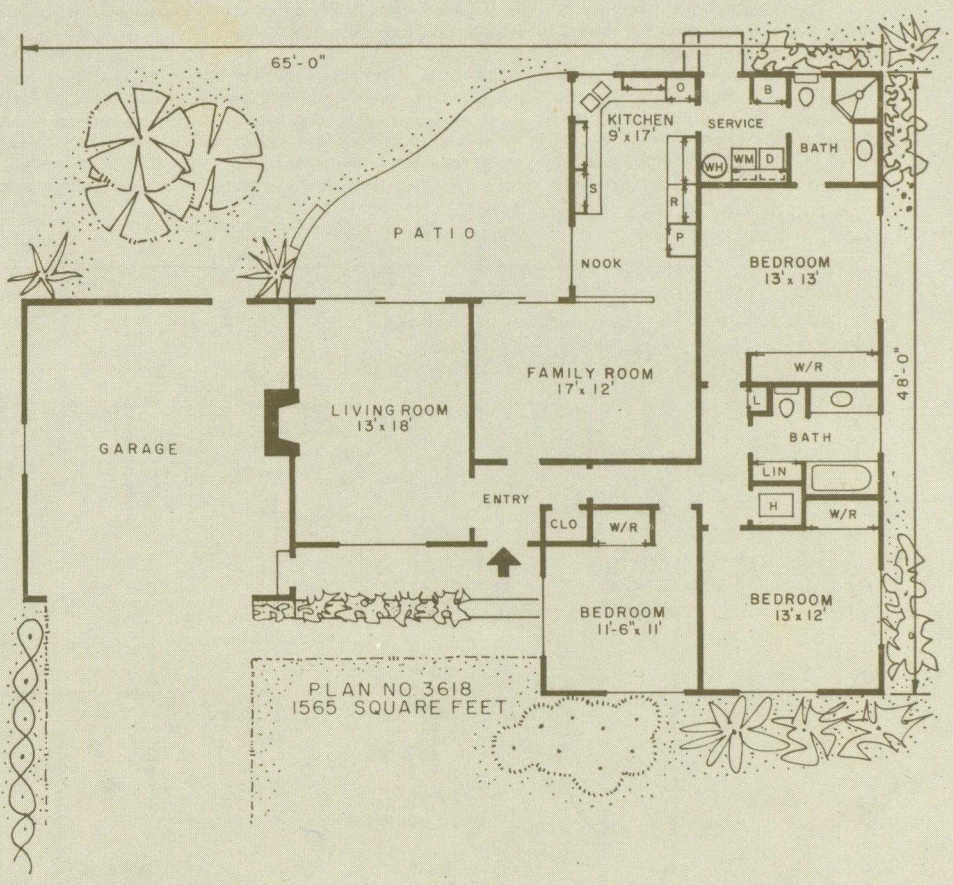
Wide glass doors open from both the family and living rooms to the sheltered rear patio for summer air and relaxation. If desired, a sliding wooden door or doors could be installed between the living room and family room during construction.

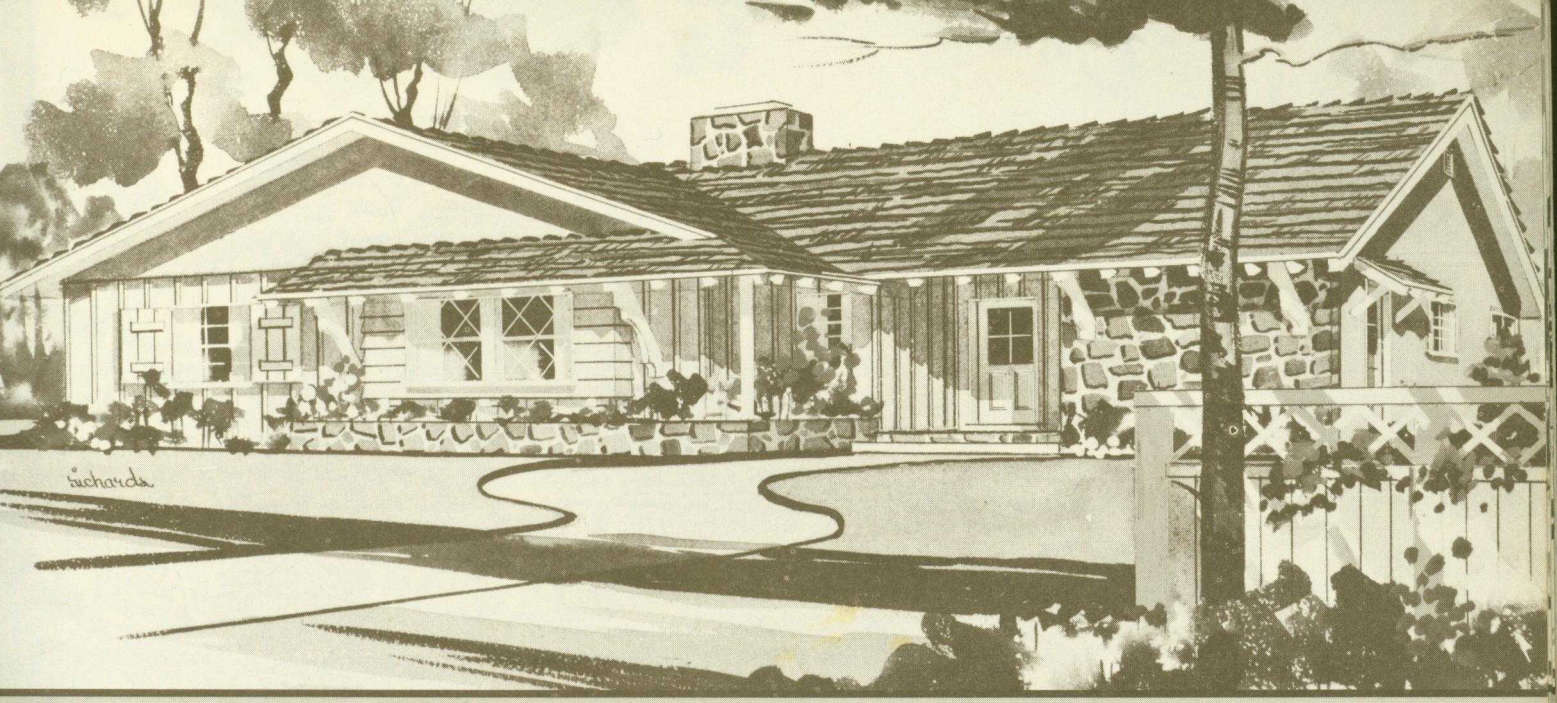
Home laundry appliances find space in the service area. The three-quarter bath is accessible from both the service area and the master bedroom.

Secluded for quiet and privacy, the three bedrooms are lighted by banks of high set windows, leaving room for furniture below. Roomy wardrobes and closets provide plenty of storage space. There are two linen closets—one in the hall, one in the family bath.

Fixtures in baths are semi-partitioned. The dressing table pullman lavatory has a mirrored medicine chest above and storage cabinets underneath.

The forced air heating unit is centrally installed in a closet off the hall. Two passage doors open from the double garage—one to the backyard, the second to the covered front porch.





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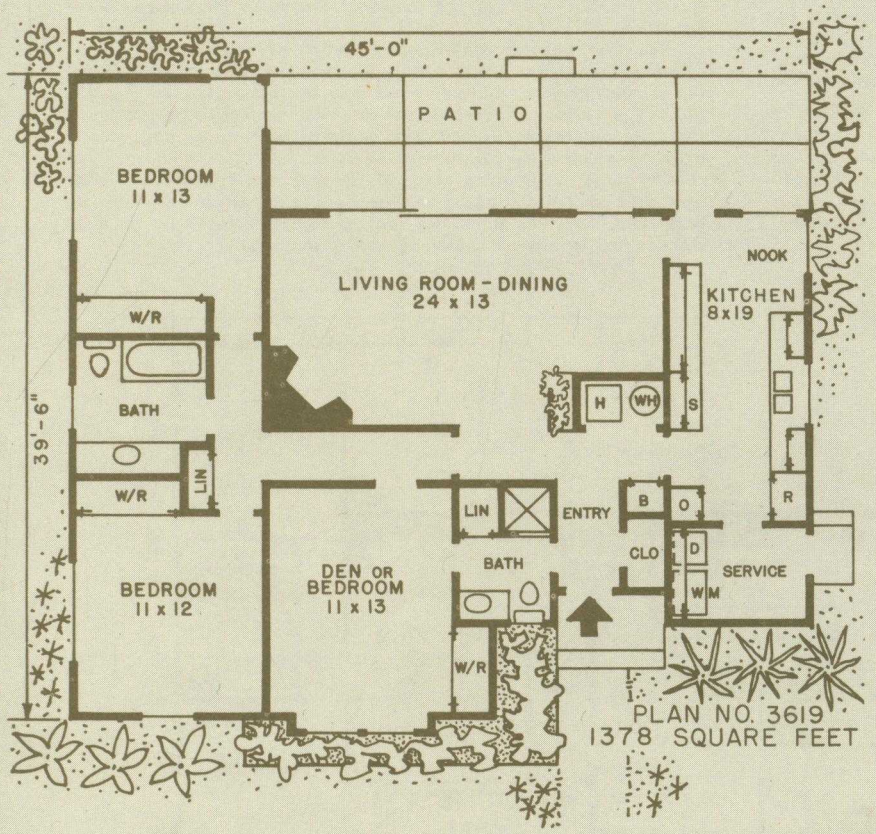


Typical of today's trend toward casual living is this 1378 square foot rustic home.

The rough cedar shakes of the roof harmonize with the painted vertical board and batten siding. Warm-hued stone veneer adds a rugged accent to the front and contrasts with the greenery of the border planter.

From the entry the center hall leads to all areas of the home.

A planter flanks the entrance to the huge living-dining room. A big stone fireplace in one corner sets the mood for friendly informality, and a sliding glass wall opens onto a broad outdoor living area at the rear of the home.

A door also opens to the patio from the kitchen-breakfast nook, making it easy to serve suppers outdoors during summer evenings.

In the kitchen, the abundance of cupboards and counter top work surfaces is planned to please any housewife. Appliances are built in, and big windows light the double sink and corner eating area. The service area—with a roofed entrance—is ample for washer, dryer and frozen food chest.

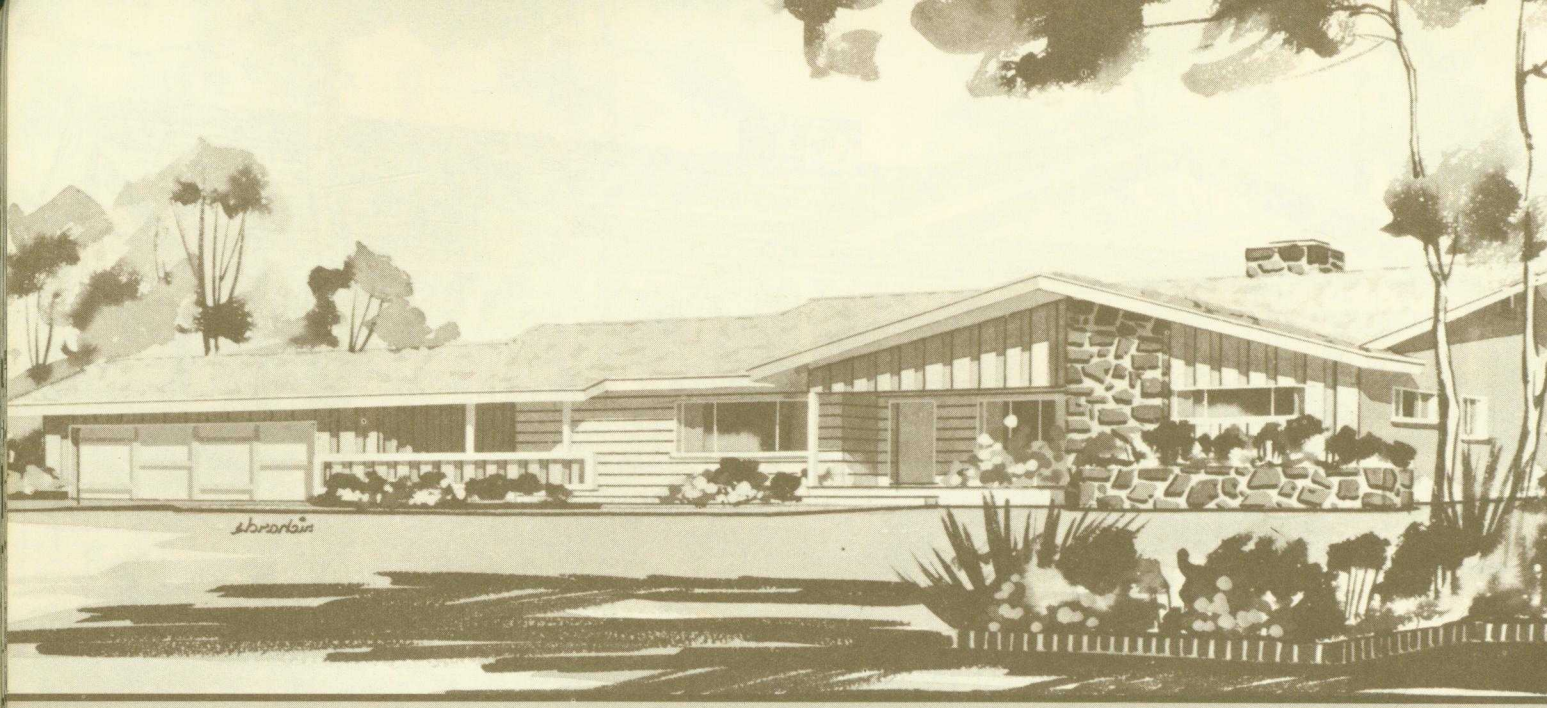
With its own three-quarter bath, the first bedroom could serve as master bedroom, guest room or den. The bath also opens to the foyer to double as a powder room.

The family bath separates and sound-proofs the two family bedrooms. The vanity-top lavatory has cabinets below and the bath has an overhead shower.

High sliding windows and unbroken wall areas in the bedrooms allow for a variety of furniture arrangements.

Plentiful closets are another welcome feature of this home. Broad wardrobes in the bedrooms have sliding panel doors and storage drawers below.

A guest closet opens near the front door, and other closets provide storage for linens, brooms and a centrally located forced air unit and water heater.



Soundly practical suggestions usually come forward when housewives themselves plan a home. Incorporating the preferences of many women, this home emphasizes livability and easy upkeep. This home looks much larger than its 1193 square foot size would indicate.

The open plan, glass walled living room looks out toward both the street and rear garden. Wide, sliding glass doors extend the living area in summer to include the patio and garden. All unnecessary partitions have been omitted and the dining area is actually an extension of the living room. A movable screen or room divider could be used for area separation if desired.

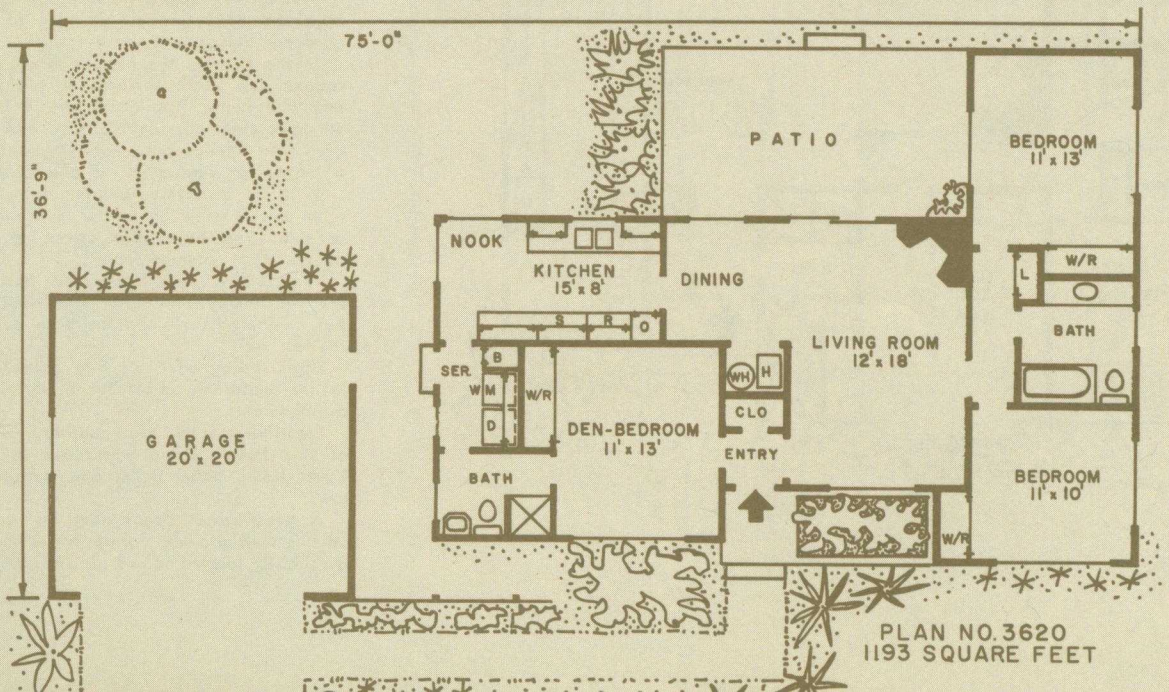
The kitchen can be closed off completely to keep the mechanics of meal preparation and clean-up out of the view of guests. Built-in appliances, ample counters and an eating area have been arranged to save steps and work. Wide windows in the eating area corner and over the sink not only make the room bright and cheerful, but permit full view of the garden and children's play yard.

Washer, dryer and broom closet are located in the service area, and the ¾ bath is convenient to both the work area and den-guest room. The family bath separates the two spacious bedrooms in the quiet sleeping area. Wide wardrobes, plenty of light and cross ventilation make these rooms pleasant and restful.

Both the water heater and the forced air heater have been located in one closet in the center of the home for more efficient operation.

The ever popular contemporary styling of the exterior will be suitable for construction in almost any location. The stone used for the chimney, planter and as veneer may be that most readily available. The siding, in contrasting vertical and horizontal patterns, could be painted or stained. The doors of both house and garage offer an opportunity for touches of color.

The large overhanging eaves of the rock roof screen the breezeway and shelter passage from the garage to either the front or back door. Over the patio, the roof is partially broken by an egg-crate lattice to offer a choice of sun or shade below.



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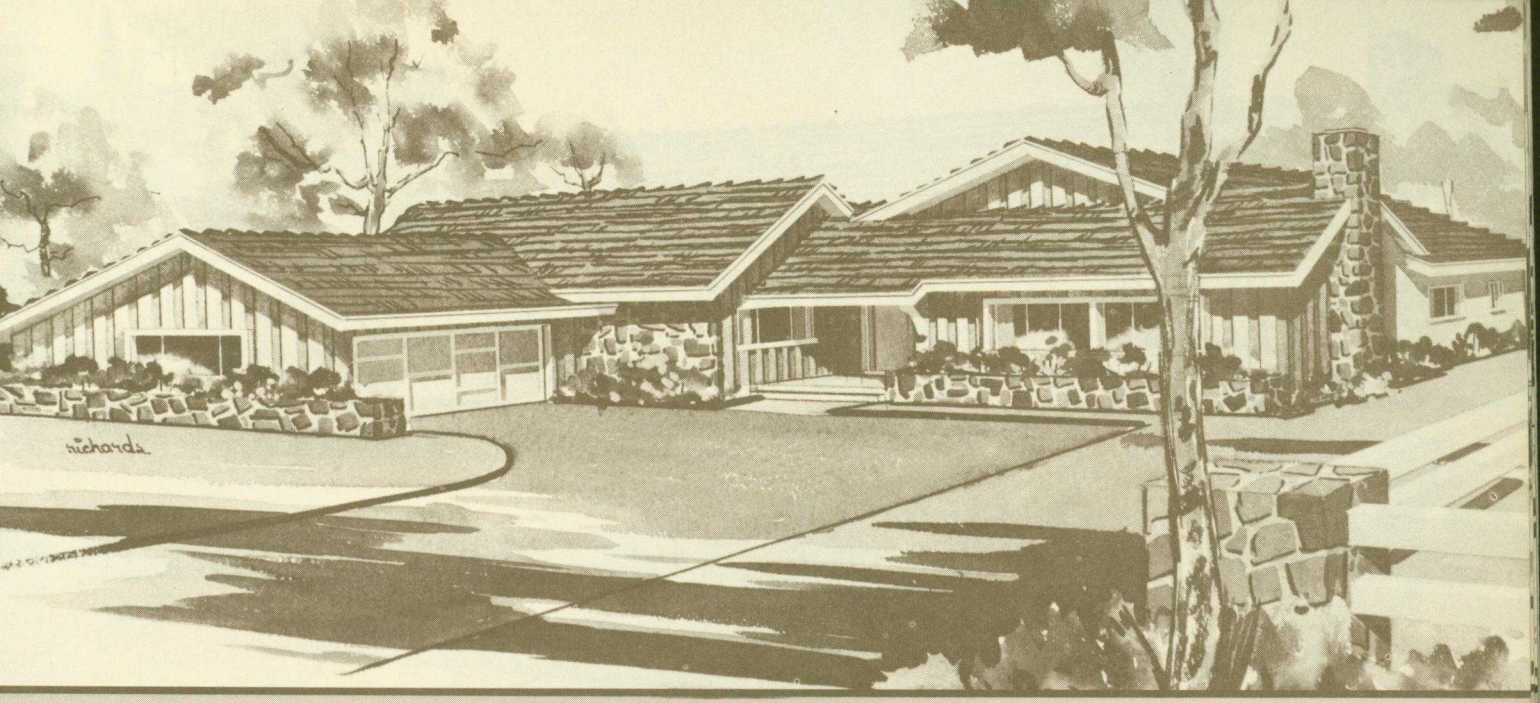

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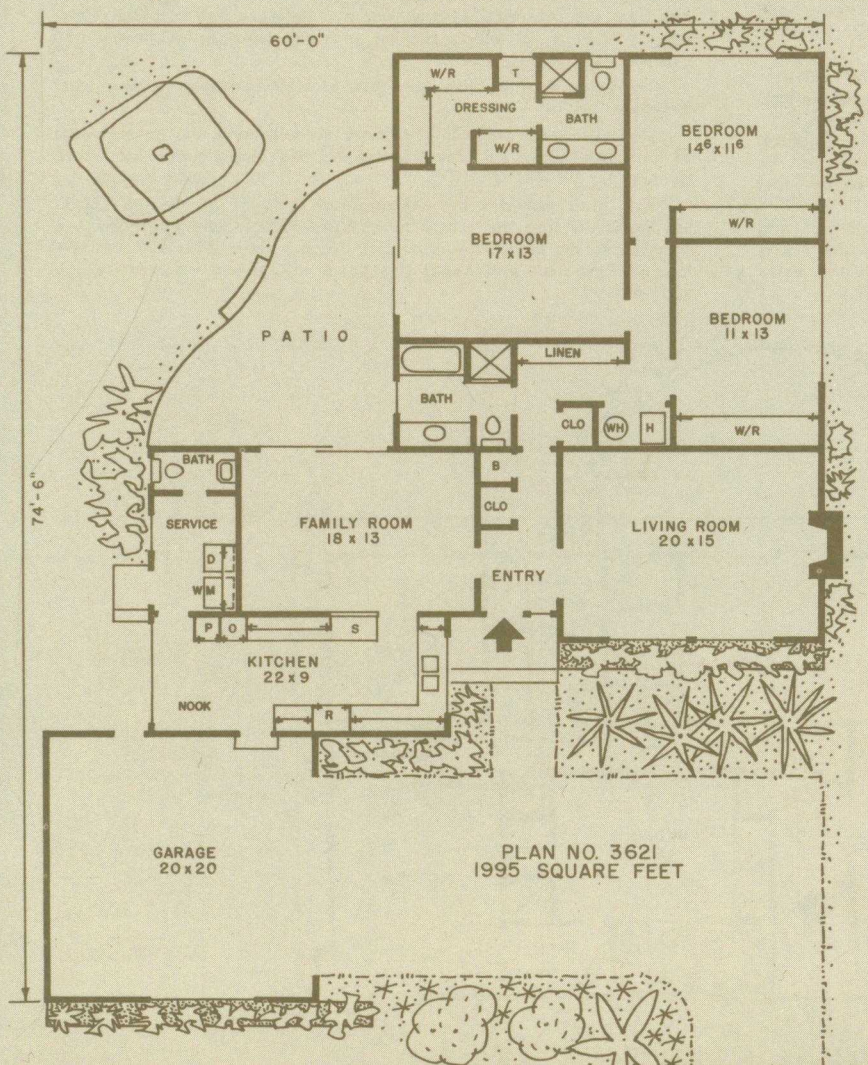


Soft-hued stone enriches the interesting lines of this modern ranch-style home. The eaves of the shake roof are boxed for a neat, finished effect, and box frames enclose the aluminum casement windows. Stone planters and veneer make a natural foil for bulbs and greenery.

A panel of fluted glass beside the slab door lights the entrance hall.

The living room, with its big stone fireplace, is set apart—a spacious room for adult entertaining, away from the work and activity zone.

The huge family room is partially open to the kitchen. The double glass doors that form the patio wall slide open for easy transition between the indoor and outdoor living areas.

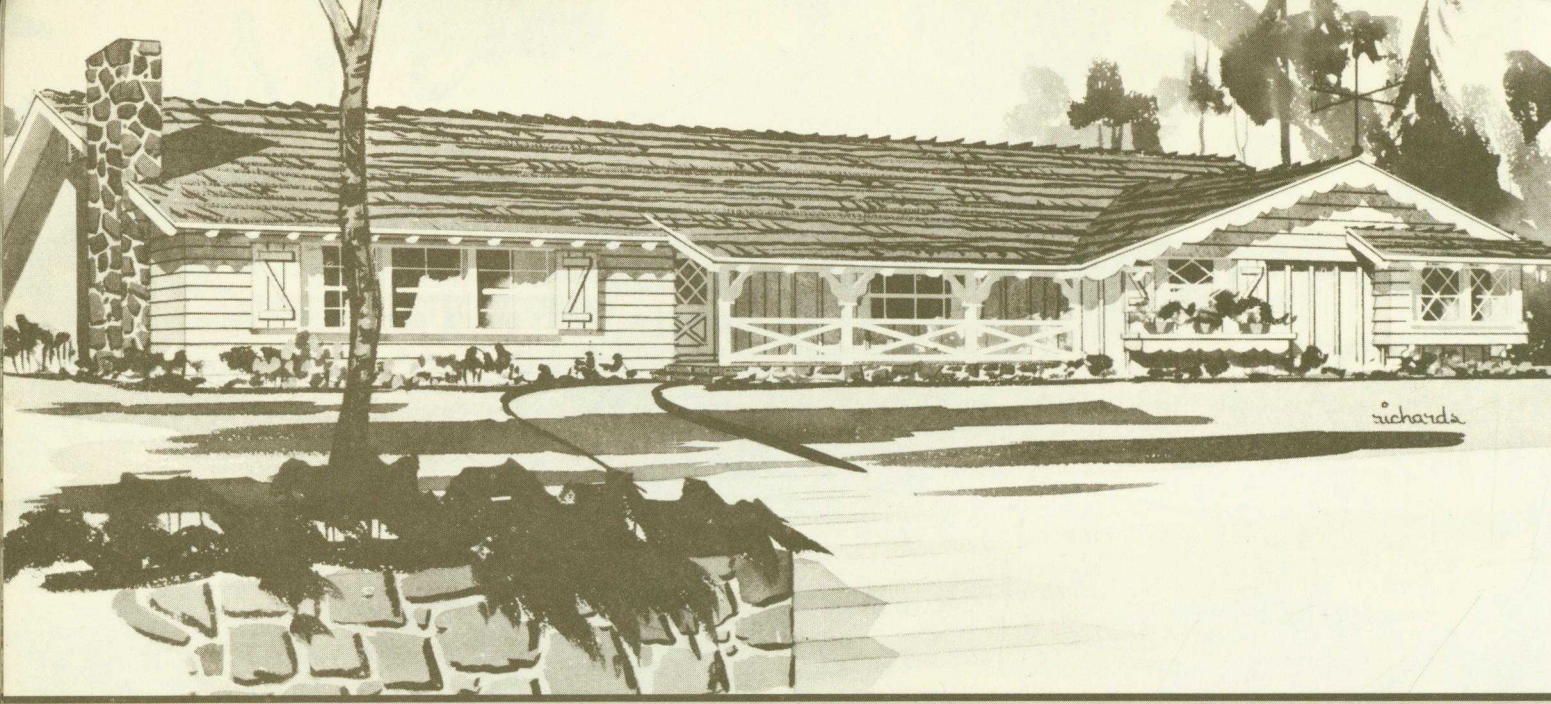
Appealing to any housewife, an exceptional amount of cupboard space and work surfaces add efficiency to the kitchen. Appliances are built in and the roomy dining nook is lighted by a wide casement window. A door leads directly into the kitchen from the garage.

The service area has space for the home laundry equipment, freezer and sewing area or desk. The half-bath is convenient to the work area, garden and play yard.

All bedrooms are unusually spacious, with full-width sliding panel wardrobes. The master bedroom has a big dressing room with built-in vanity table and more than ample wardrobe space. The adjoining bath features twin pullman lavatories. The family bath has both a tub and stall shower. A centrally located water heater assures a constant supply of hot water throughout the house.

A large linen closet and three other hall closets provide inside storage space and a storage rack extends across the rear of the double garage.

For a fairly narrow lot the garage could be moved to the right to reduce the over-all dimensions of this home. On a larger site, it could be moved farther left or attached at the side with a breezeway.



With its low, sloping shake roof and long covered porch, this enchanting ranch style home appears to wander to much greater dimensions than its 1721 square foot of living area.

Band sawn wood trims the gable and flowerpot shelf, and shutters flank the windows. Stonework used in the tall fireplace chimney is repeated in the porch and planter.

To allow a maximum of usable floor area, the center hall has been kept to a minimum, yet it functions perfectly to channel movement from the front entrance to all areas of the home.

Focal point of the big front living room is the stone fireplace. The dining area, actually an extension of the living room, can be left visually united for a feeling of openness or separated by room dividers.

U-shaped for efficiency, the kitchen has built-in appliances and plenty of counter top work surfaces. Between the kitchen and family room, an eating bar provides a place for serving quick family meals and snacks.

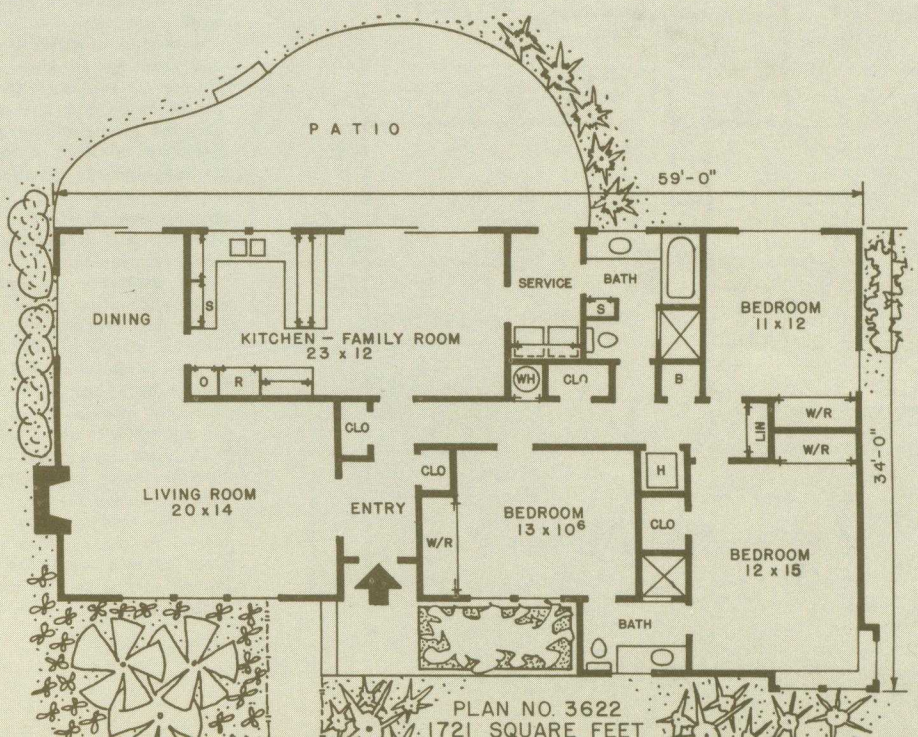
Wide glass doors open to the patio from both the family room and dining room, to expand the living area in warm weather.

Opening to both the service room and hall, the master bath has both tub and stall shower, pullman lavatory and recessed water closet. A floor to ceiling cabinet provides storage for towels and accessories.

The three-quarter bath has been located between the two front bedrooms.

Unbroken wall areas in the bedrooms will make the arrangement of furniture easy. All three bedrooms are amply large and well lighted.

This plan provides an extraordinary amount of storage space. Seven closets line the center hall. Wardrobes in the bedrooms are roomy, and the master bedroom also has a walk-in closet. A centrally located forced-air unit keeps this home at uniform temperature the year around.



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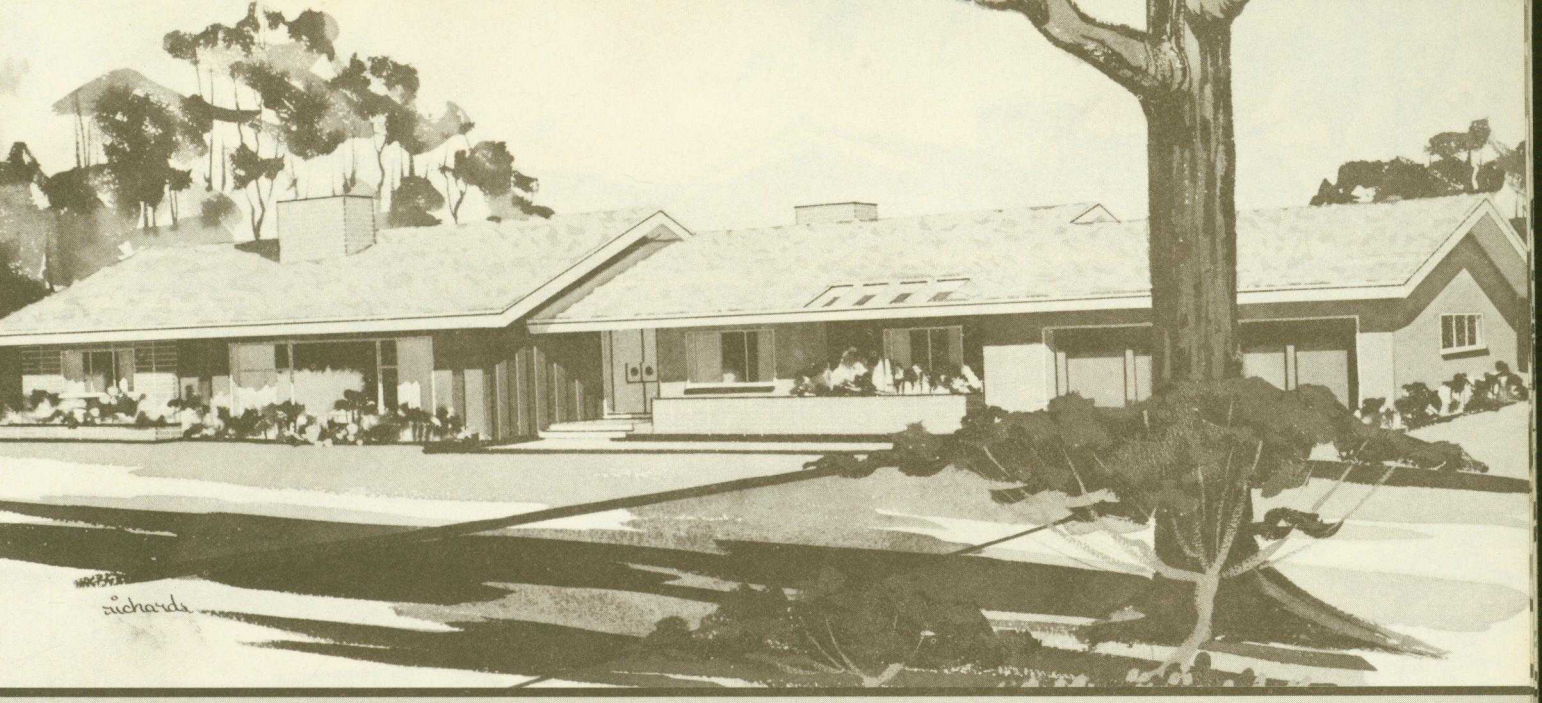


With low, clean lines and the absence of excessive details, this modern contemporary style home will retain a timeless beauty for years to come. Concrete block veneer and planters, vertical board on board siding and stucco combine in a pleasing balance of texture and color beneath a crushed rock roof. Plywood panels have been used for the garage doors and large double doors are provided at the front entry.

A bank of windows light the huge front living room and a corner fireplace adds a dramatic center of interest to this room.

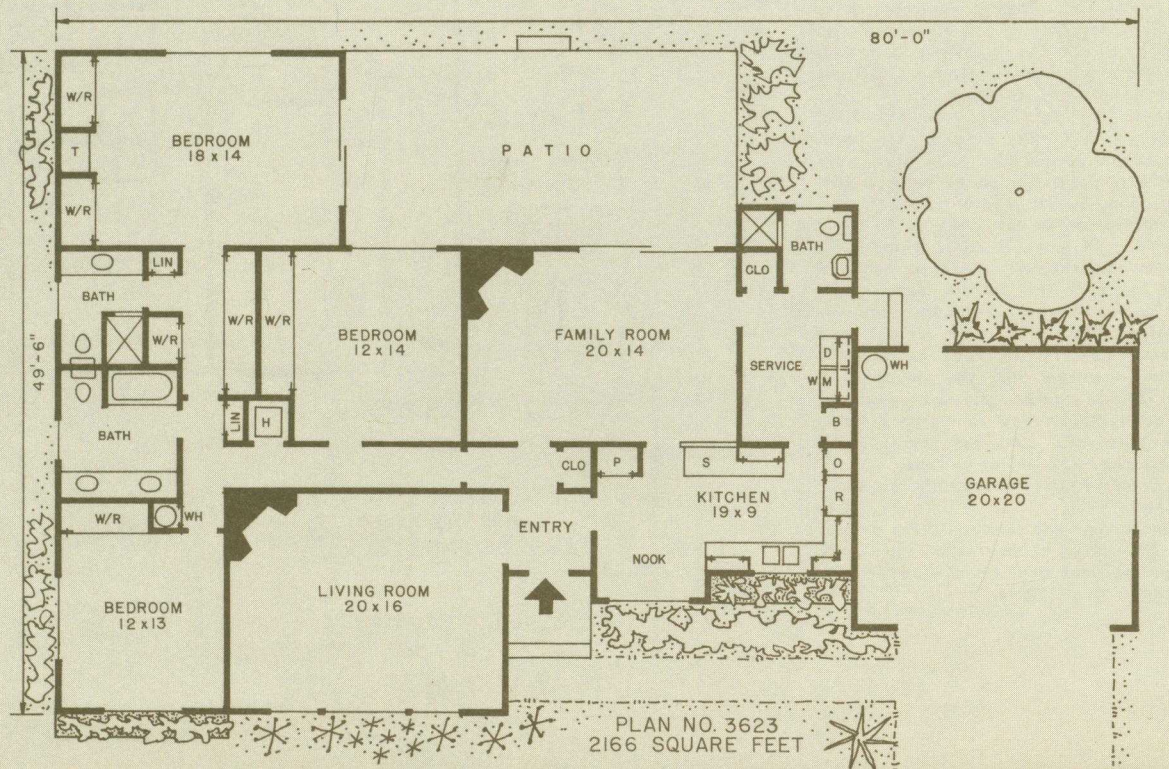
A delight to the woman who takes pride in her homemaking is the efficient kitchen. Appliances are built in. A storage pantry, ample cupboards and under-counter cabinets provide plenty of storage space.

The large sunny eating nook offers a cheery spot for family meals. Two closets and a three-quarter bath open from the service area, which is roomy enough for home laundry appliances and a home freezer. A wide roof overhang provides sheltered passage between the service area and the rear door to the double garage.

The "view-through" opening, linking the kitchen and big family room, lets mothers supervise indoor and outdoor play from her work center.

With its corner fireplace and sliding glass wall, the big, informal family room will be the center of family activities.

The bedrooms are light and airy. An outstanding feature of this home is the master bedroom suite. Double glass doors open to the patio for sunbathing or easy access to the pool. Three wardrobes provide ample storage. A dressing table has been located between two of the wardrobes. The private three-quarter bath has a pullman lavatory, tiled stall shower and adjacent linen closet.



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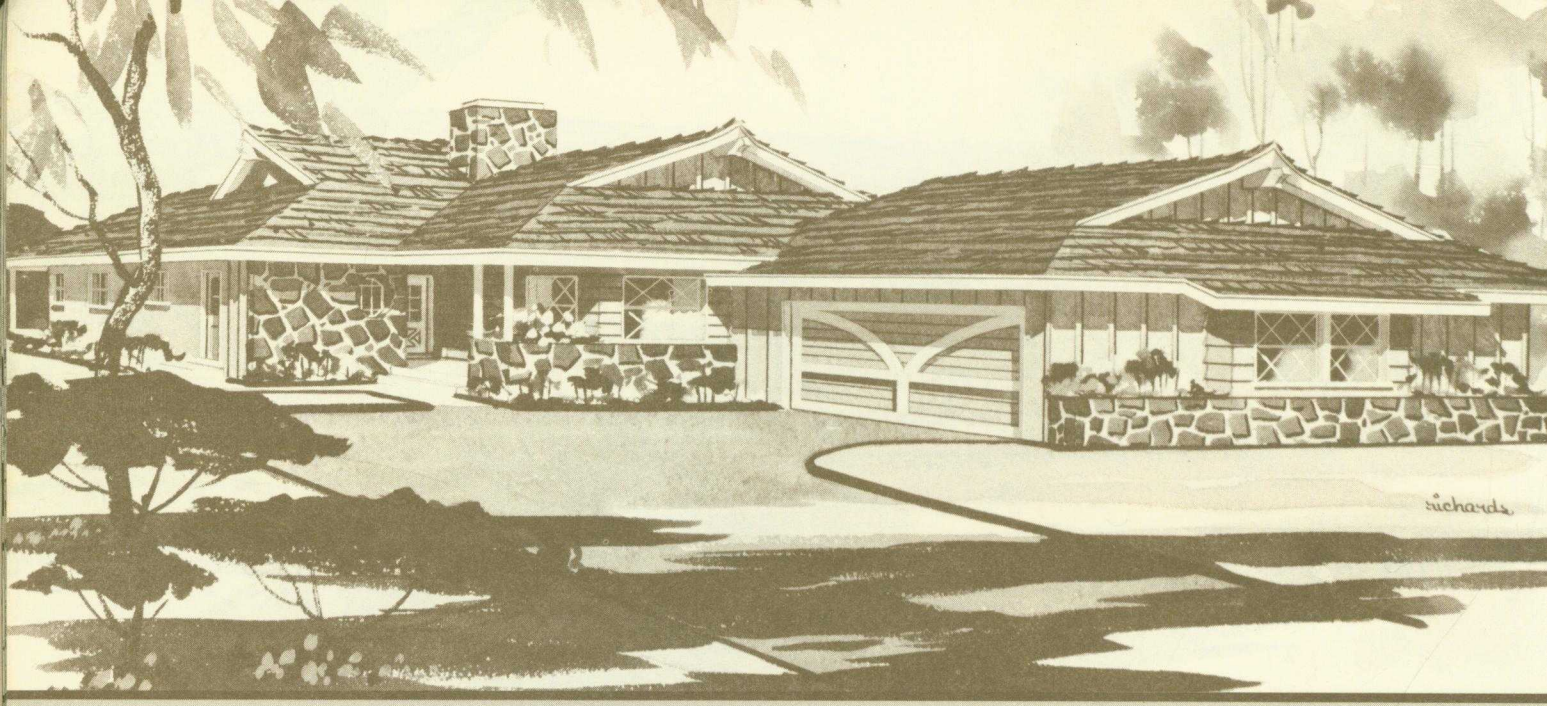


Belying its spacious appearance, this 1280 square foot home can be built on a 50-foot lot. Its three bedrooms, two baths and efficiently planned living space make it unusually comfortable to live in and easy to care for.

All rooms radiate from the basic center hall plan. For privacy and quiet, the bedrooms are separated from the work and activity zone. A doorway could be located between the entrance hall and the front bedroom to make this room into an office, if preferred. Wide, space-saving wardrobes have sliding doors for easy access, and shelves above.

The master bath contains both tub and stall shower. Twin lavatories have storage cabinets underneath for towels and supplies.

Glass doors to the pato open the big living room and expand the activity area for sun bathing, outdoor meals and entertaining. In warm weather the wide rear patio will be as much a part of your living room as the pleasant interior.

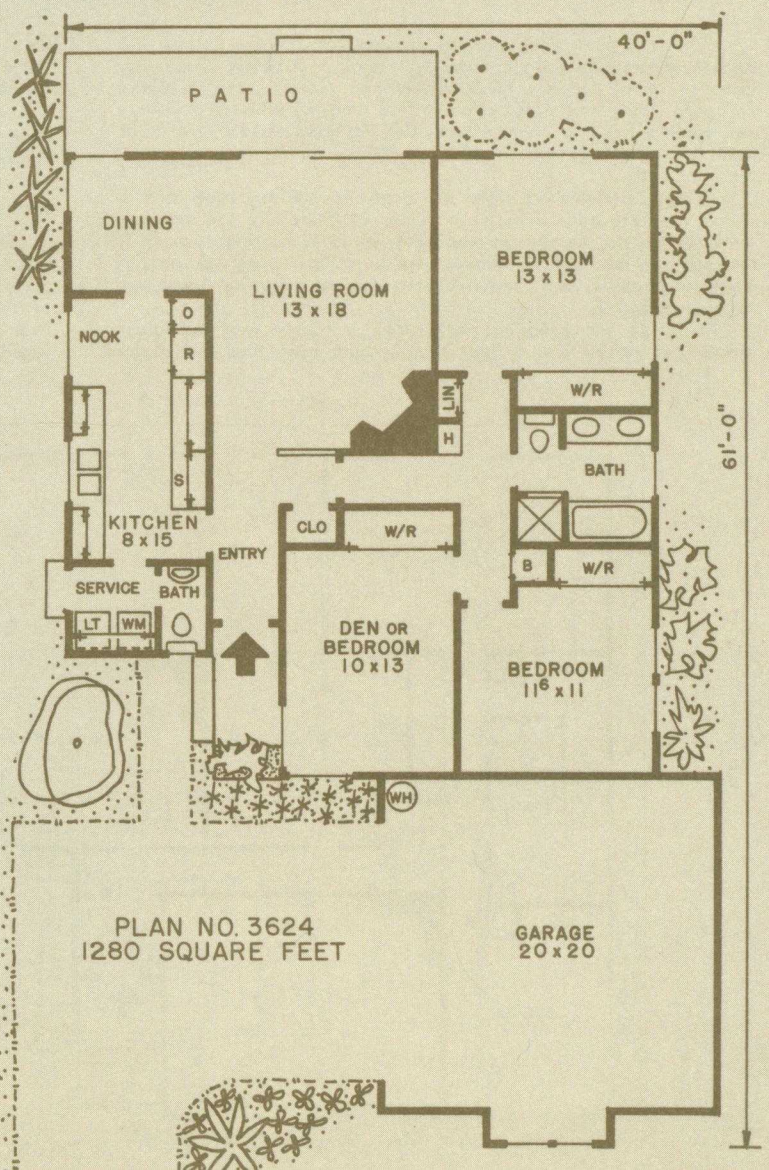
The dining alcove can be left open to the living room or defined with movable room dividers.

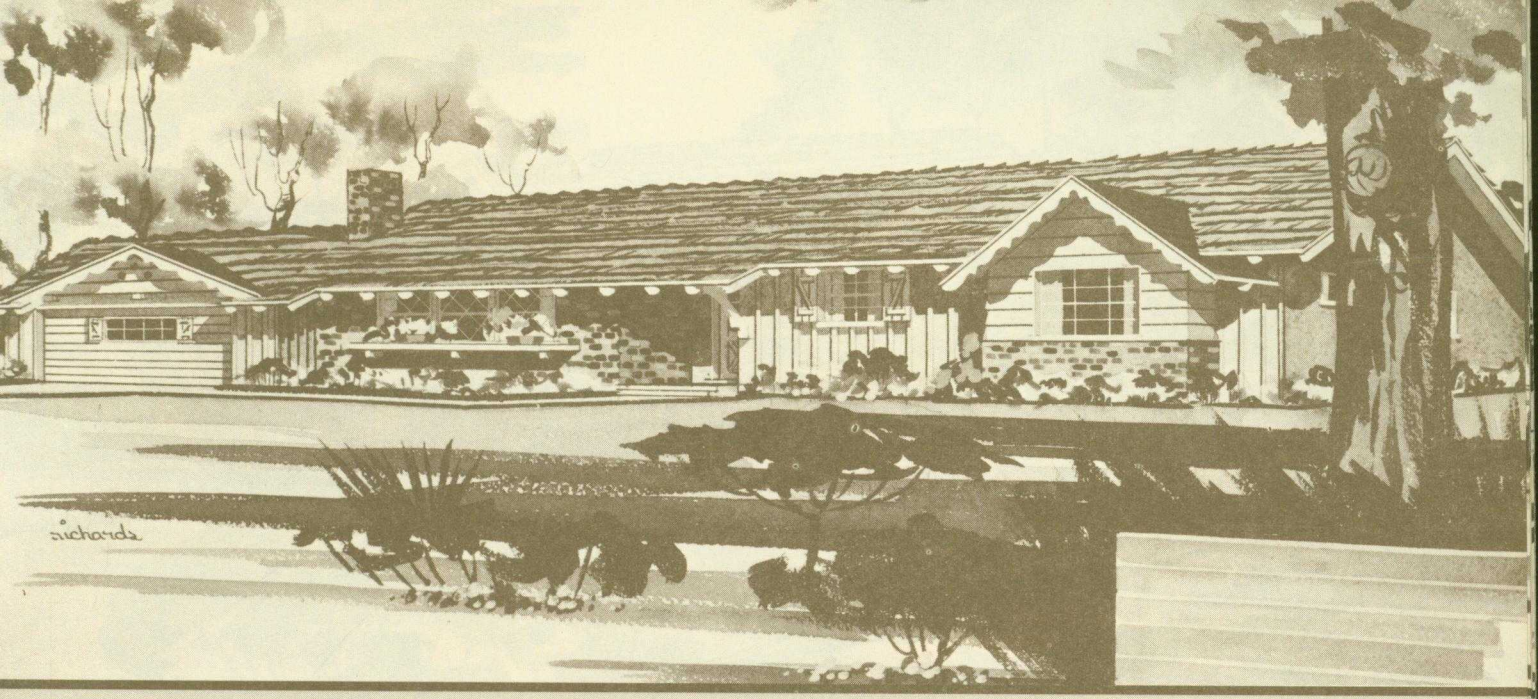
Convenient for quick family meals is the well-lighted eating area in the kitchen. Ample cupboards and built-in kitchen appliances are arranged for step-saving efficiency. Washer and dryer are located in the service area. The half-bath is handy to both the work area and play yard.

An oversize 21'x21', outside dimensions, garage will provide adequate parking for today's larger cars. Storage place and workshop space is still available along one wall of the garage.

A compact gravity furnace is centrally located in the bedroom hall.

Natural stone adds rustic contrast to the painted wood siding. The gables of the shake roof tilt upward above jutting room beams and diamond window panes add a quaint note.





The charm of this 1586 square foot home lies in its simplicity of line and material. Soft toned used brick veneer lends color accent to the vertical board and batten. For contrast, horizontal wood siding faces the garage and the bedroom bay. A rough cut shake roof and diamond windows with shutters lend a rustic air.

Natural, functional simplicity is the key to the floor plan as well. The center hall makes all rooms accessible from both the front entry and work center. With its deep brick fireplace and wide bank of windows, the front living room provides an attractive setting for either quiet adult conversation or group entertaining, leaving the family room for the younger members of the family to study or watch television undisturbed.

The family room will undoubtedly be the activity center for the children. Wide glass doors slide open to a broad patio, sheltered on two sides for privacy.

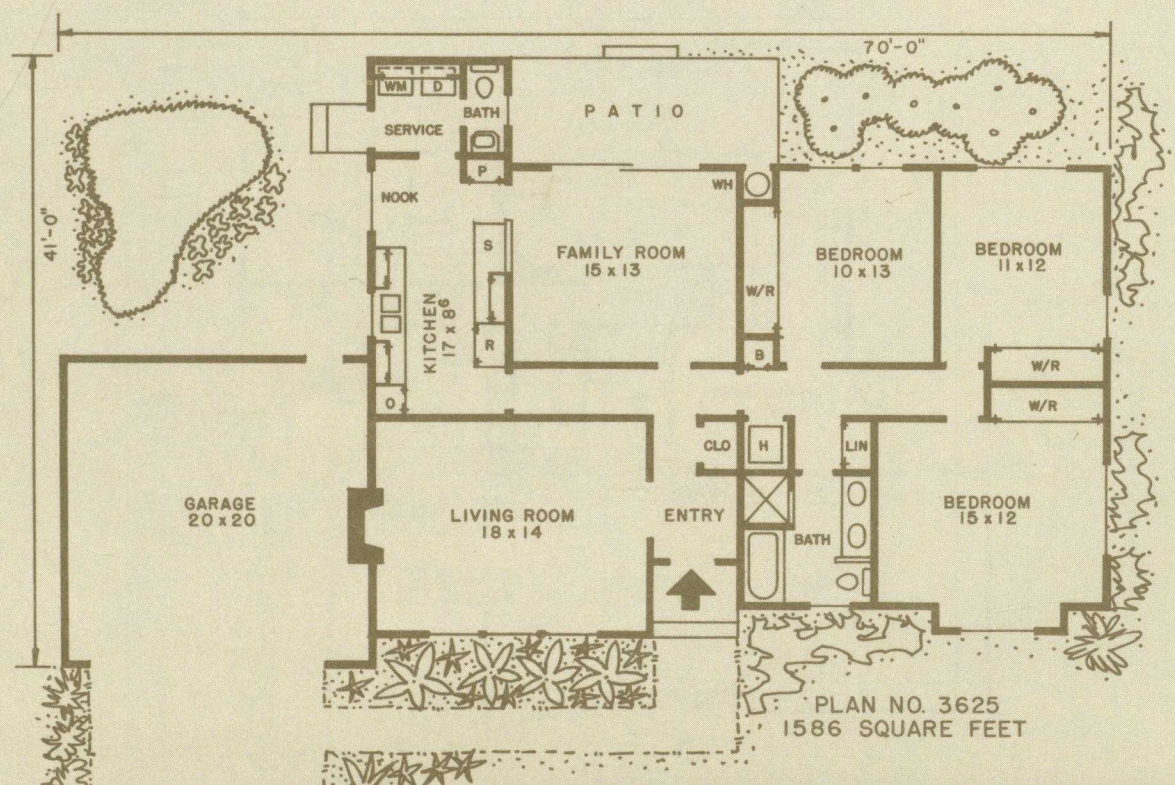
A half-wall above the range unites the kitchen and family room visually. Counter top stove and built-in oven, a deep pantry closet and well lighted breakfast nook make the kitchen a pleasant, as well as efficient, work center. Home laundry appliances with overhead cabinets are located in the service area. The service entrance is only a few steps from the rear door of the double garage.

The half bath provides a place for the youngsters to clean up after play without going through the house to the family bath.

The master bath in the secluded bedroom wing has dual lavatories, recessed tub and stall shower. The linen closet is conveniently near.

Wide sliding panel wardrobes and broad high set windows are luxury features of the bedrooms.

The water heater, forced air unit and family bath are centrally located to keep plumbing lines and air ducts short. For easy servicing, the water heater closet opens to the outside.



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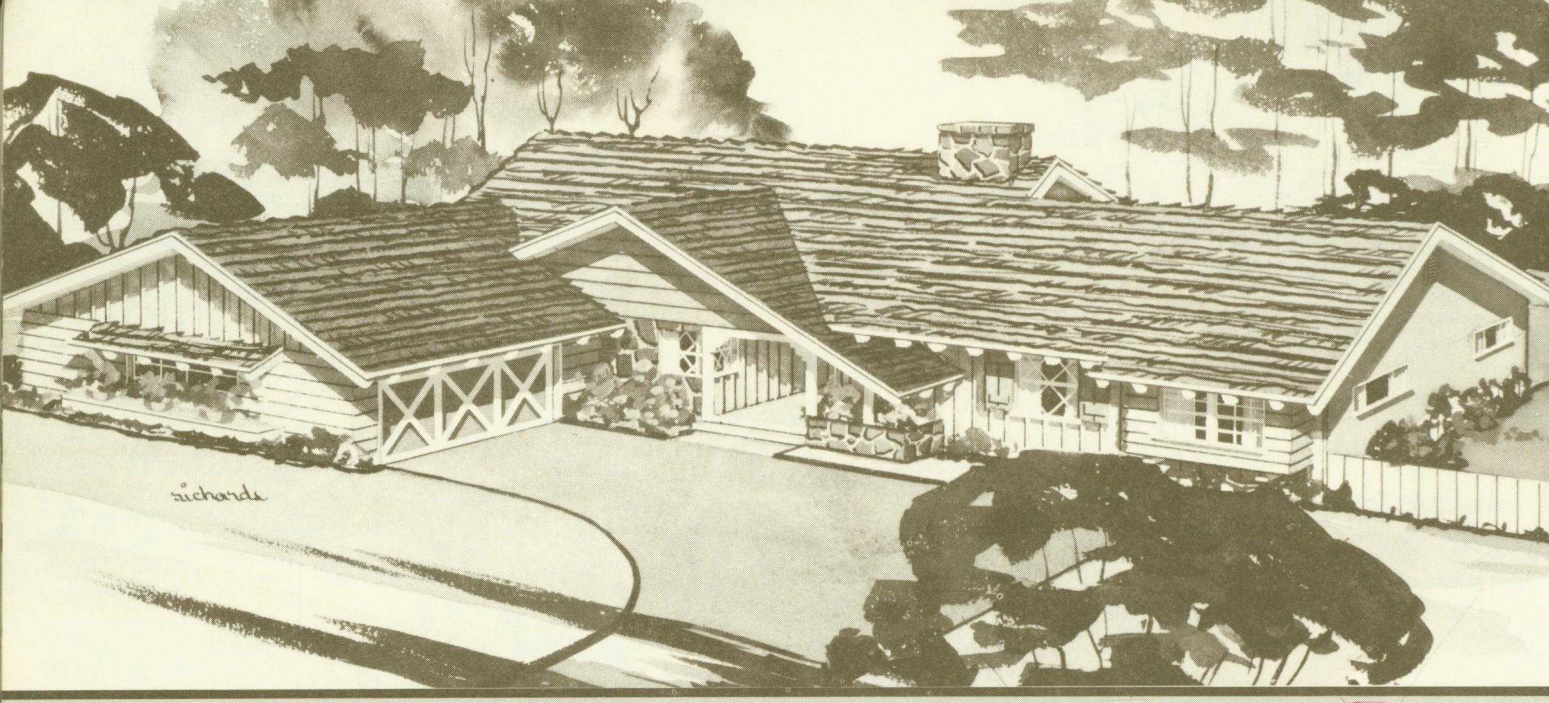


This delightful story-book home might have been borrowed from the pages of a nursery rhyme book. The long, low eaves of the shake roof extends to shelter a deep recessed porch. A stone planter beside the steps and a shelf for flower pots below the garage window provide a place for flowers and greenery.

The interior plan is as practical as it is attractive. The center hall makes all areas accessible to the entry, eliminating cross-room traffic.

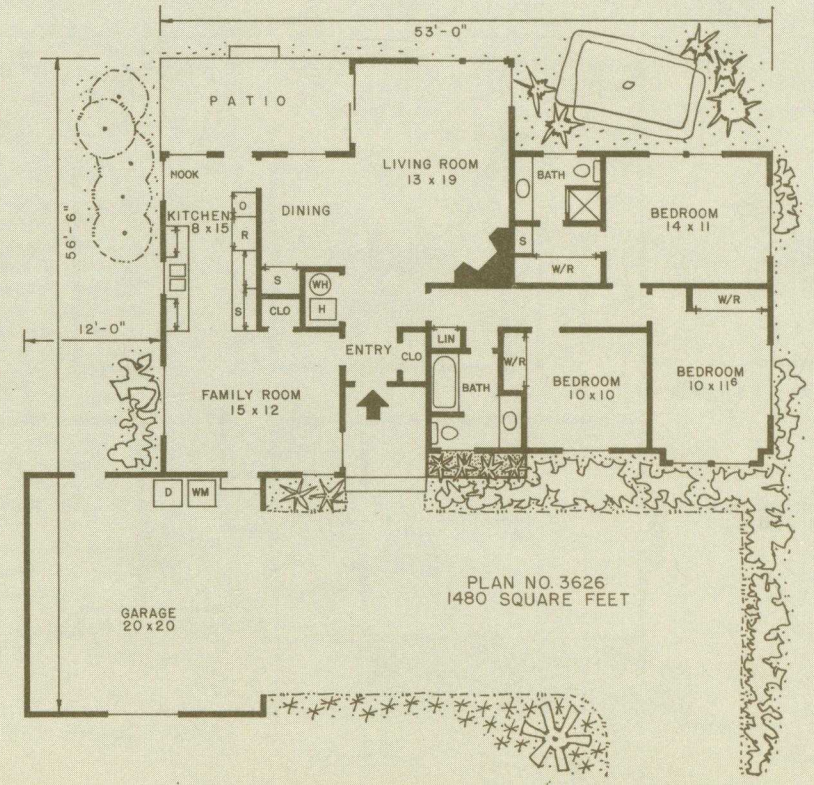
The functional and popular family room is open to the kitchen. In this area, children can play or study under mother's supervision. Here a family can entertain informally or watch television, keeping the living room uncluttered by toys, always ready for guests.

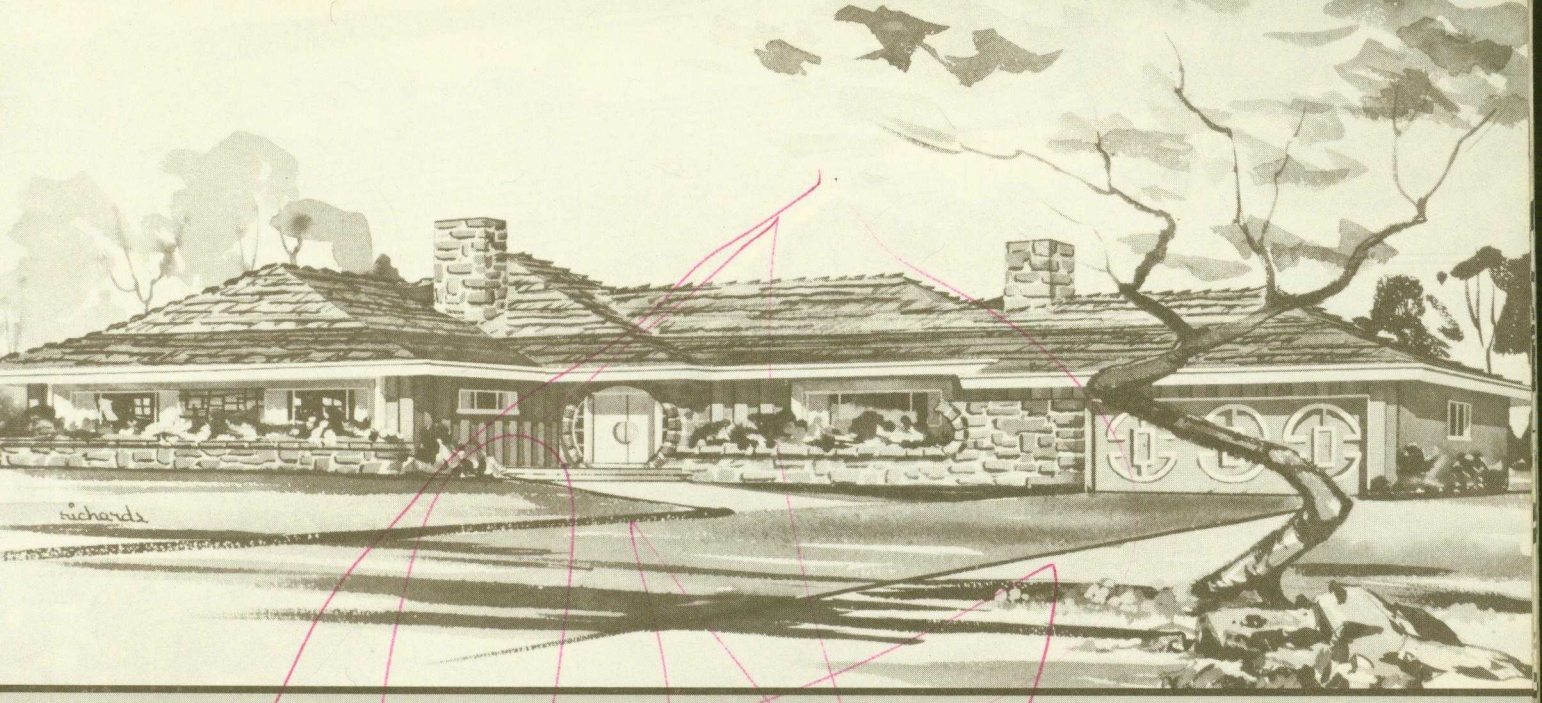
A window-enclosed eating area in one corner of the kitchen is a cheery spot for family meals. A door gives easy access to the patio from the kitchen for children's play or for serving outdoor meals in warm weather.

From the family room a door leads directly into the garage, where the washer and dryer are installed. A second door between the garage and side yard is convenient when garden equipment is to be stored away.

The huge living room is connected to a dining ell. Glass doors lead to the patio, and the corner fireplace can be enjoyed from all parts of the room.

The bedroom wing can be closed for quiet while the children are napping. Bedrooms are large and well lighted, with roomy wardrobes. The master bedrdoom has a big walk-through dressing room and private three-quarter bath. The family bath, near the entry, can double as a guest powder room.





Oriental influence marks this Hawaiian Modern home—a theme which can be carried out in the furnishings. The two different slopes of the roof are borrowed from homes popular in the Islands.

Bevelled frames outline the aluminum casement windows. Chinese coin motifs decorate the garage door, and the double doors of the entry are set in a "moon gate." The roof is of hand split shakes. Dark cut stone lends sharp contrast to the painted board on board and stucco wall material.

Typical of the Oriental influence is the feeling of openness and space, evident in the interior planning.

A louvre-topped half-wall defines the opening between the family room and hall, and a big corner fireplace adds a comfortable atmosphere.

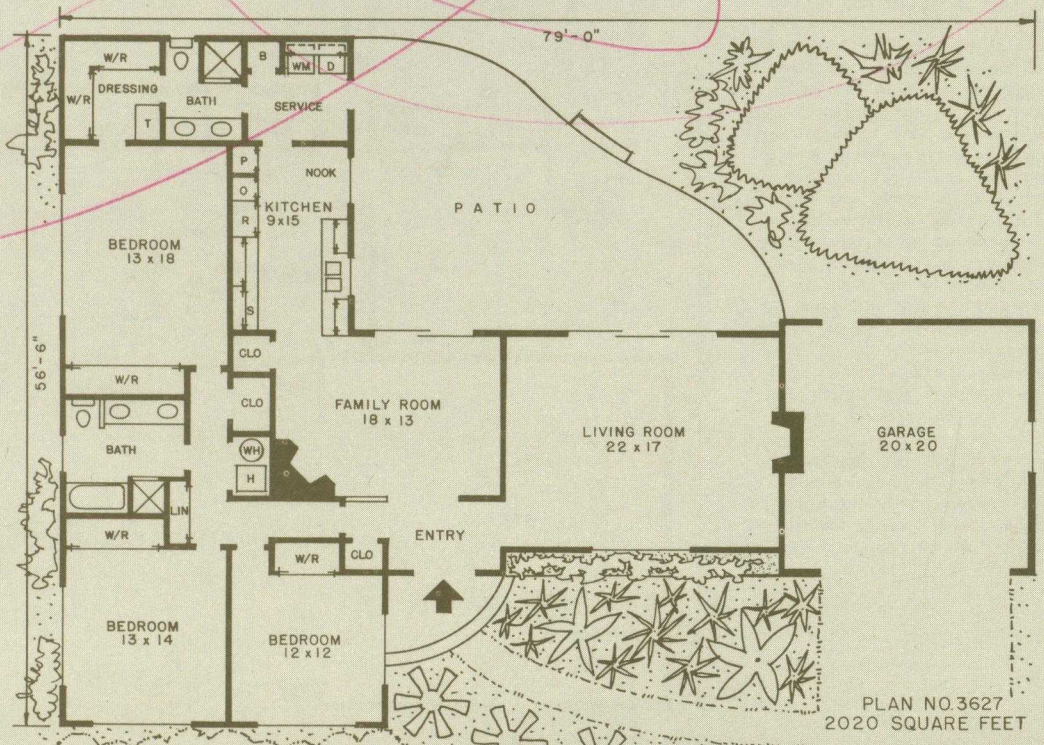
The kitchen, open to the family room, is planned to please the fastidious American housewife. Built-in appliances and well arranged work area, a pantry, broom closet and ample cupboards add to its efficiency. More closet space and home laundry appliances are in the service area.

A wall of glass doors opens from both the family room and living room to complete the easy flow of activity between house and patio. A stone fireplace is centered at one end of the big living room.

The bedroom hall, opening to the entry foyer, is lined with closets. The family bath has twin pullman lavatories, tub and stall shower.

The master bedroom has a wide wardrobe, plus a closet-lined dressing room with built-in vanity. The adjoining three-quarter bath also opens to the service room and work area.

The family bedrooms are exceptionally large and well lighted.



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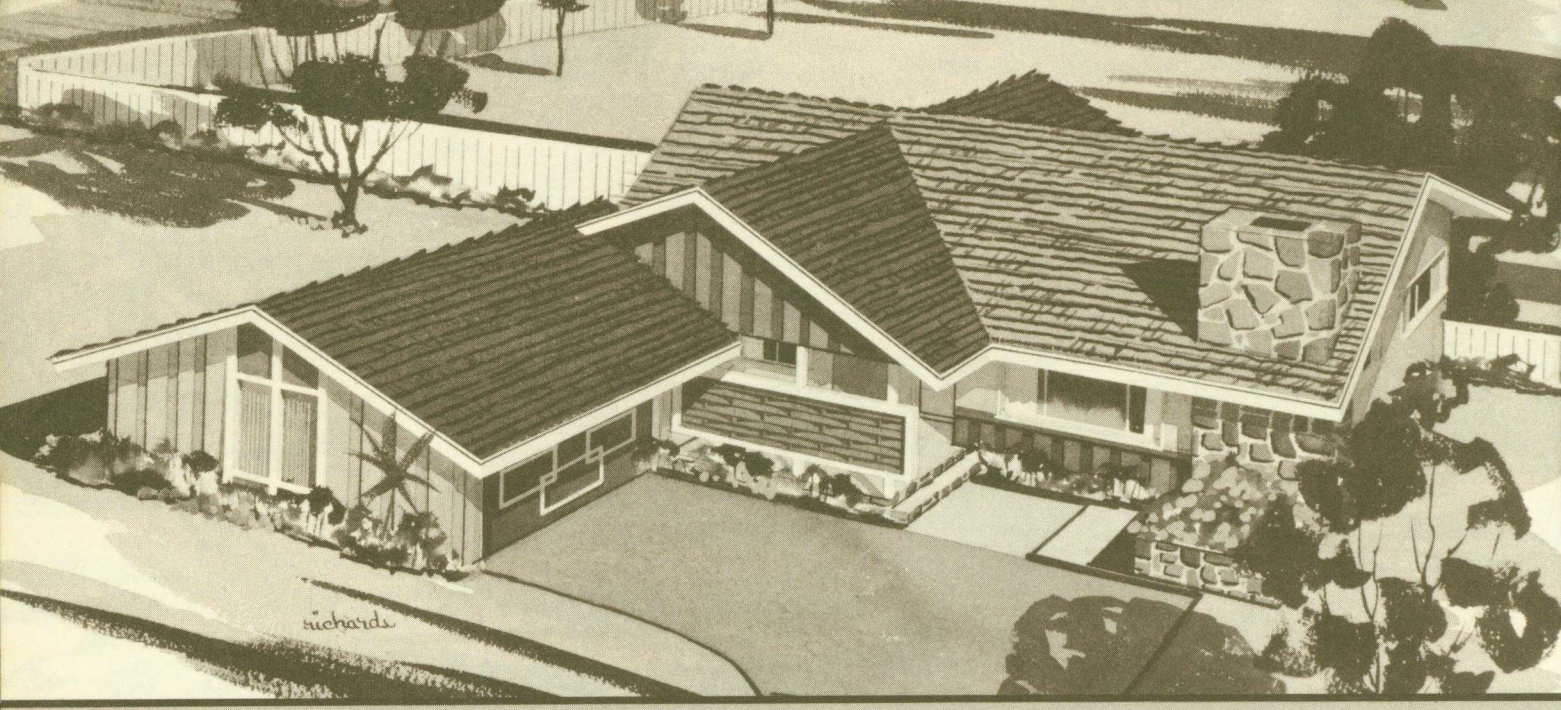

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Contemporary styling lends freshness to age-old materials in this home. The broad column of the stone chimney rises from a planter well at one corner of the house. Vertical board on board siding, stucco and fluted glass combine for design interest beneath a rugged shake roof. A screen of basket-weave rattan shields the stone entry landing.

The dramatic corner fireplace in the living room is open on two sides. Thus a hearth fire can be enjoyed from all parts of the room, as well as the dining area. Wide banks of windows light both the front and side walls of the living room, and large glass doors open the dining alcove to the patio, extending the living area to the rear garden.

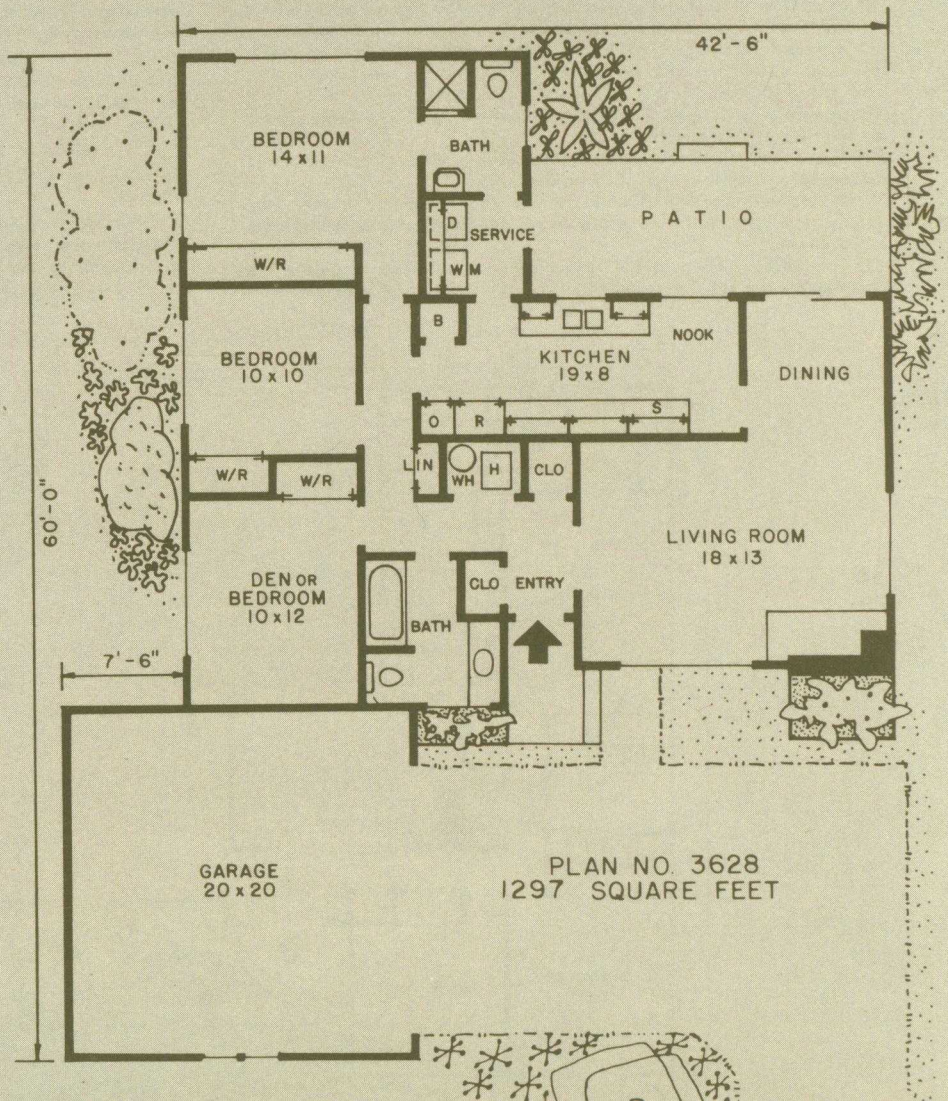
A second door leads from the patio to the service area, making it easy to serve outdoor meals and refreshments in summer.

A corner eating area, built-in range and oven, wide counter surfaces and a broom closet make the kitchen a convenient, step-saving place for housework. Washer and dryer are in the service area. The three-quarter bath, handy to the work area and patio, also opens to the master bedroom.

The master bath has a pullman lavatory and recessed tub with overhead shower.

Wide, high-set aluminum casement windows light the bedrooms, allowing unbroken wall space for furniture arrangements. Big wardrobes provide ample closet space.

Fluted glass panels provide light for the double garage. A storage shelf across the back provides a place to hide away unused household equipment. Ample space at the side allows for the storage of lawn mowers, bicycles, etc.



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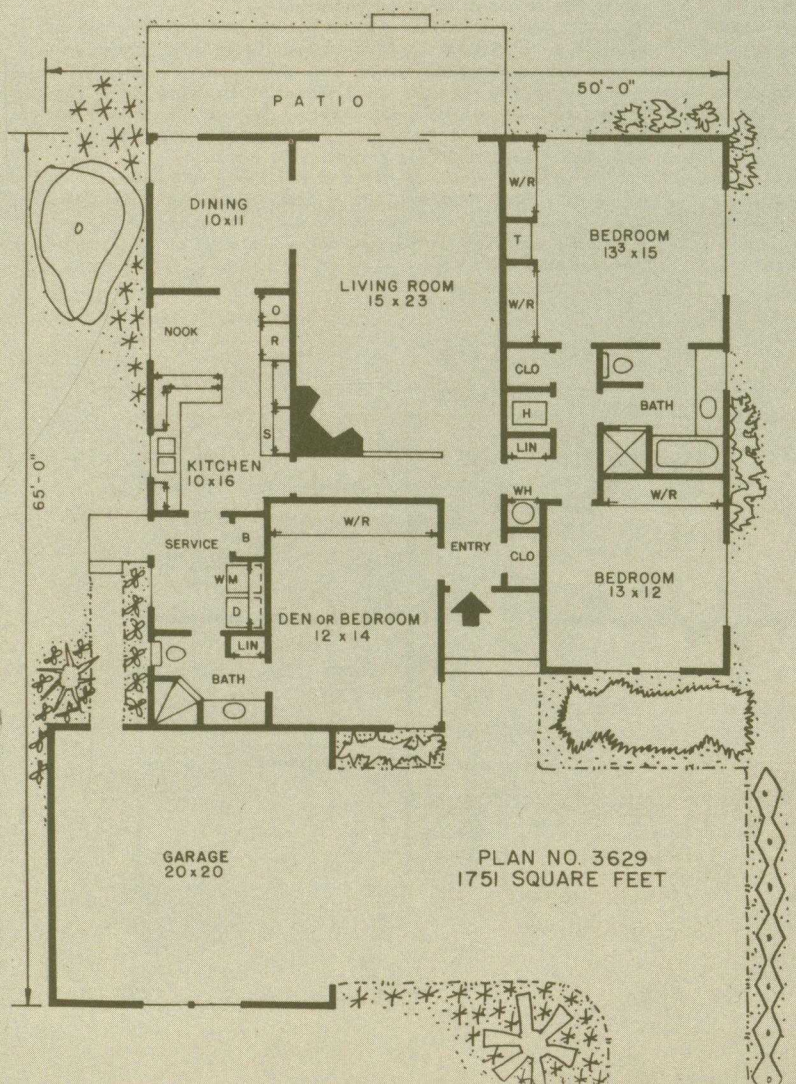


There's a romantic story-book tilt to the gables of this three-bedroom home. Colorful used brick is used on the chimney and as veneer on the garage and front bedroom wall. Board and batten combine with horizontal siding for exterior contrast.

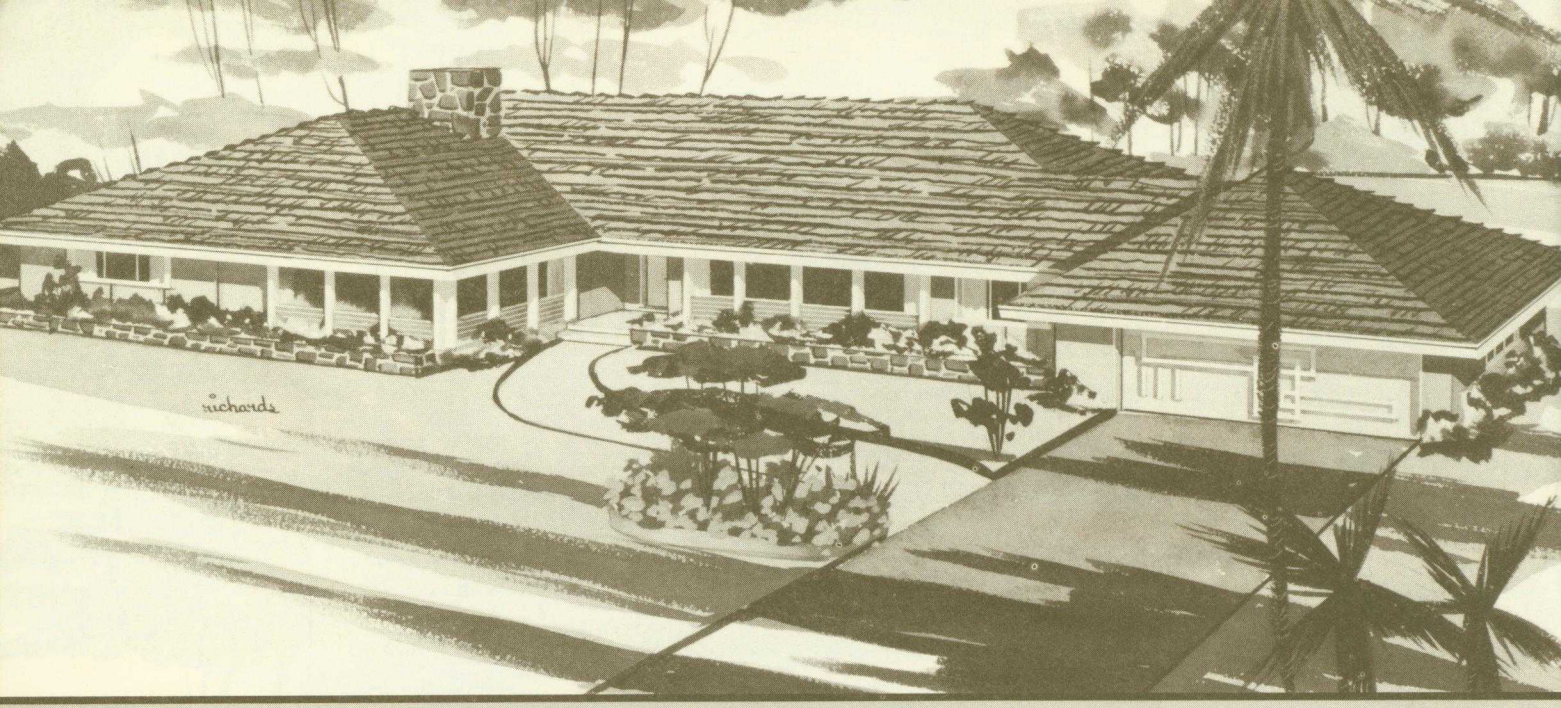
The floor plan offers all the basic elements for gracious family living and entertaining. The huge fireplace in the living room is the focal point for furniture arrangements. A partial wall, extending from the fireplace, marks the division between the living area and the bedroom hallway.

The separate dining room is returning to favor with many families today, keeping the noise and clutter of table setting and clean-up away from guests. Corner windows catch both the side and garden view, and wall areas are wide enough to accommodate bulky dining room cabinets. Double sliding doors can open this attractive room to the living room or close it for privacy.

Family snacks can be served in the bright nook area of the kitchen. The service area includes washer, dryer, broom closet and space for freezer or sewing machine. A back door to the garage is located close to the service entrance.

The center hall, which unites each area, is lined with closets. High sliding windows and large front and rear windows keep the bedrooms light and airy. King-size wardrobes offer plenty of storage space for clothing. In the master bedroom, double wardrobes reach wall-to-wall on either side of a built-in dressing table.

The den-bedroom has a three-quarter bath with stall shower, pullman lavatory and separate linen closet. A door to the service room makes this bath accessible to the work area and play yard.



The family room is a fairly recent step in the architectural evolution of the American home, having come into being within the last decade. Its existence is the outgrowth of the need for a big, comfortable room—a place where the family can be together, where the children can play indoors under adult supervision, meals can be served and good friends can visit.

The family room is the heart of this attractive home, separated from the kitchen by only a partial wall. The big stone fireplace in one corner can also be enjoyed from the kitchen and dining corner. A wide row of windows brightens the entire room.

The work area of the kitchen is a model of convenience, with ample cupboards and work surfaces. Cooking units are built-in.

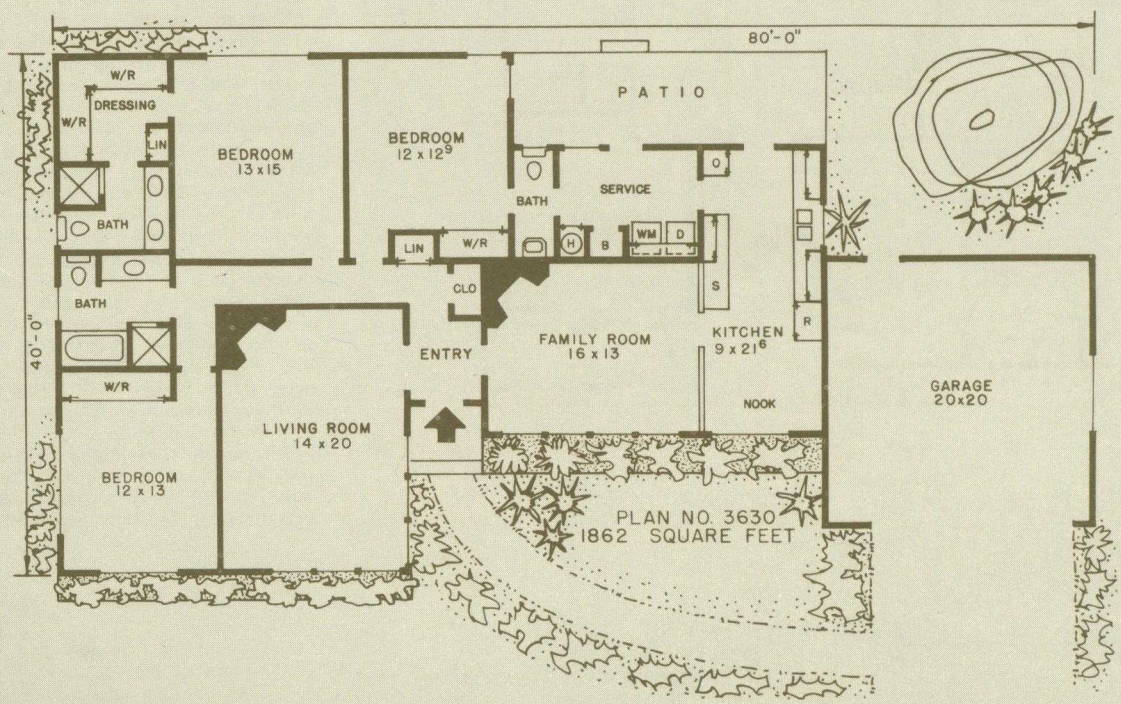
Both the service area and kitchen open to a wide rear patio, where outdoor meals can be served in warm weather.

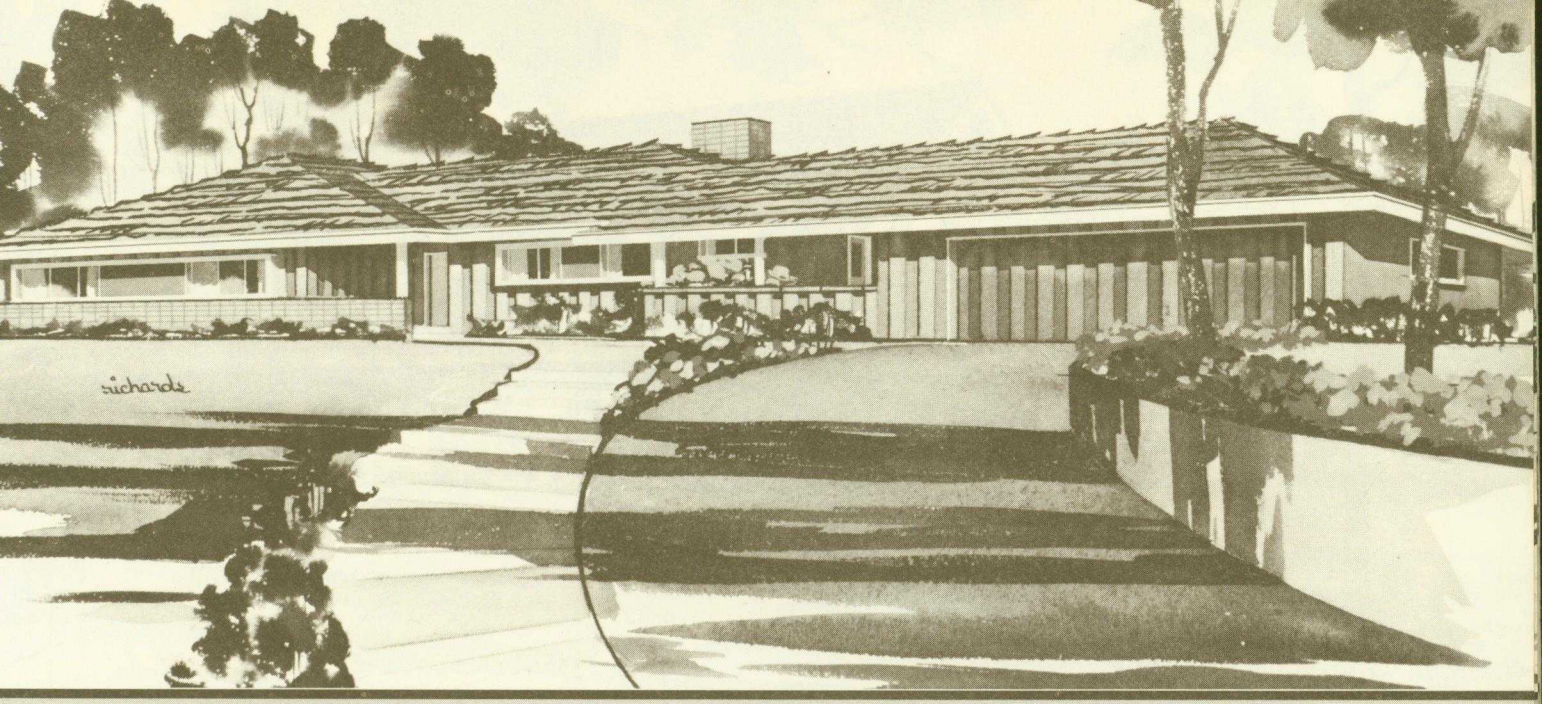
The spacious service room contains home laundry equipment and a large broom closet as well as the water heater. Space is still available for a sewing table, freezer or—? The adjoining half-bath opens also to one of the three bedrooms.

A big dressing room and three-quarter bath complete the master bedroom suite. Both the private bath and family bath have pullman lavatories and recessed fixtures.

A delightful room for more formal entertaining is the spacious living room, with its big stone fireplace. A bank of windows extends around the corner to light the room on two sides, and unbroken wall areas leave room for groupings of furniture.

The exterior, which combines stucco, stone and wood, is reminiscent of Hawaii. Planters are located across the front elevation and a geometric pattern adorns the door of the double garage. The wide eave overhang of the hip roof will protect all of the windows from the rain.





Suitable for a shallow lot or narrow corner property, this 1263 square foot home offers privacy, comfort and sheltered outdoor living.

The shake roof is broken into interesting lines. Stucco panels separate the box-framed aluminum casement windows, and dark-hued brick veneer lends contrast to the vertical lapped board siding. The door to the two-car garage could be rotated to the end wall on a lot with narrow frontage.

From the sheltered entry a small foyer opens to the kitchen, living room, and bedroom hall. In the channel kitchen, built-in appliances are color-keyed to your decorating scheme. The breakfast nook is the place for casual family meals. Home laundry equipment, water heater and broom closet are in the service entry.

A roofed breezeway offers sheltered passage between the service entrance and garage and provides a shady spot for the children to play on hot days.

The separate dining alcove extends the dimensions of the large living room. The sliding glass doors which light the dining area makes the covered porch a pleasant spot for outdoor meals in summer.

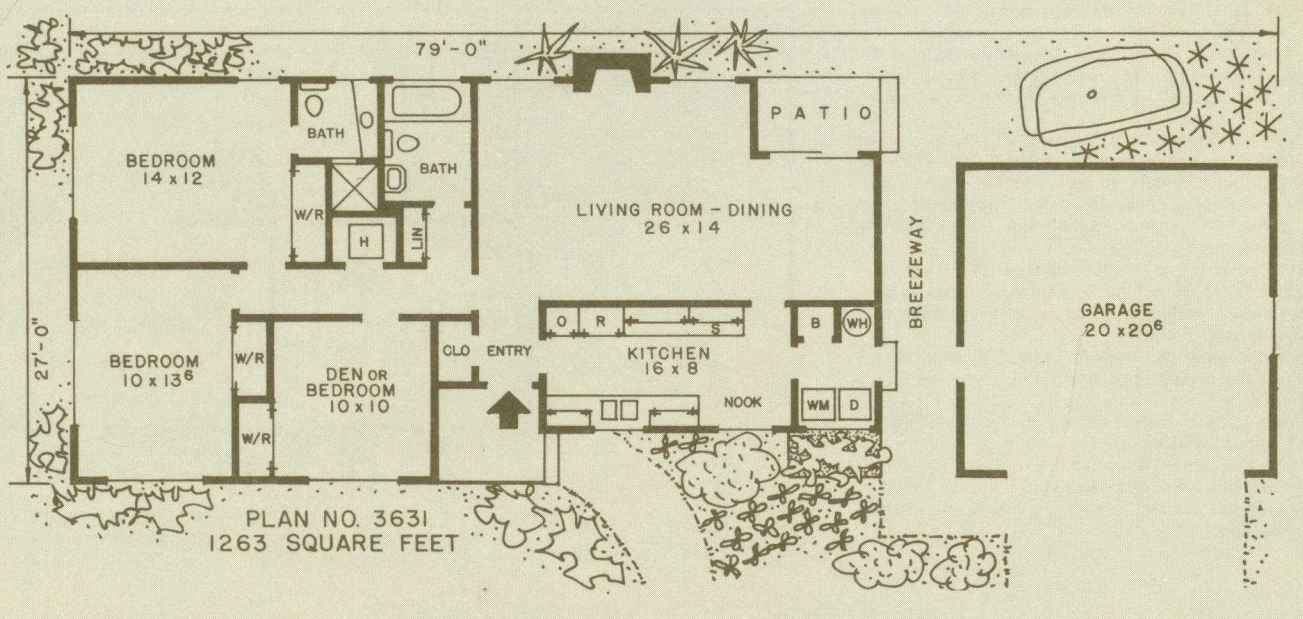
Big windows on each side of the living room fireplace give a view of your landscaped garden.

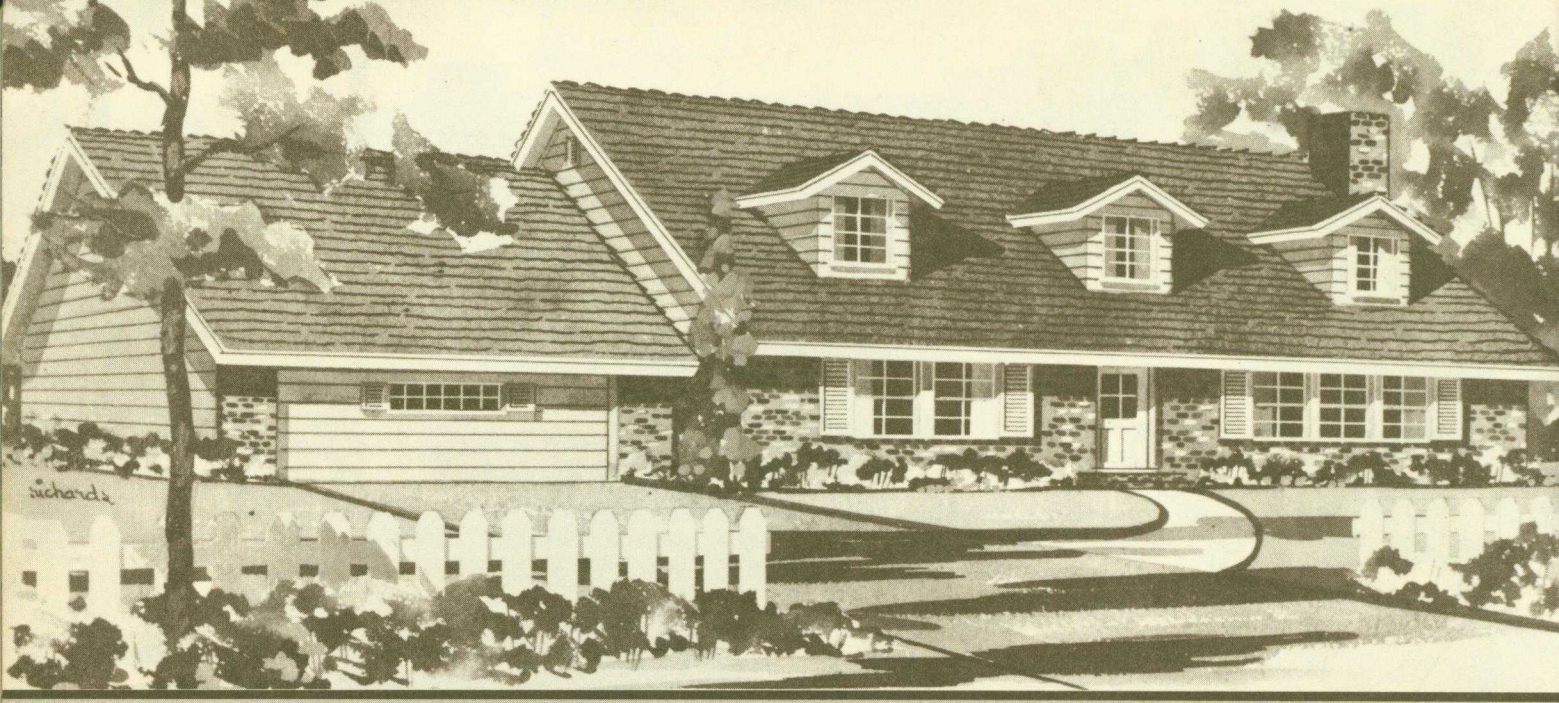
To keep bedrooms quiet, a sliding door can be closed between the hall and foyer.

The large linen closet is adjacent to the family bath. A private three-quarter bath with stall shower opens to the master bedroom.

All bedrooms are of ample size and well lighted. Side windows are shoulder-high to allow space for furniture beneath.

This home is heated by a centrally located forced-air furnace.





This story and a half home retains the charm of our colonial heritage, yet the interior is as modern as tomorrow. Nothing has been done to alter the traditional Cape Cod lines . . dormers look out from the stained shingle roof and louvred shutters border the rows of windows on the lower floor. Warm-toned brick veneer is used across the entire front wall and horizontal siding is used elsewhere.

The entrance hall is lighted by four small panes of glass in the front door. A wide staircase leads to the second floor from this entry.

Upstairs are three spacious bedrooms, two baths and an incredible amount of wardrobe, closet and storage space. The family bath, with recessed tub and pullman lavatory and the separate half-bath will ease early morning clean-up traffic for even a large family.

A third bath, with a stall shower instead of a tub, serves the den-guest room on the ground floor and is also accessible through the service-laundry room.

The super-kitchen is a housewife's dream come true—double windows over a double sink; built-in oven, refrigerator and surface cooking units; lots of cabinets and drawers for top efficiency.

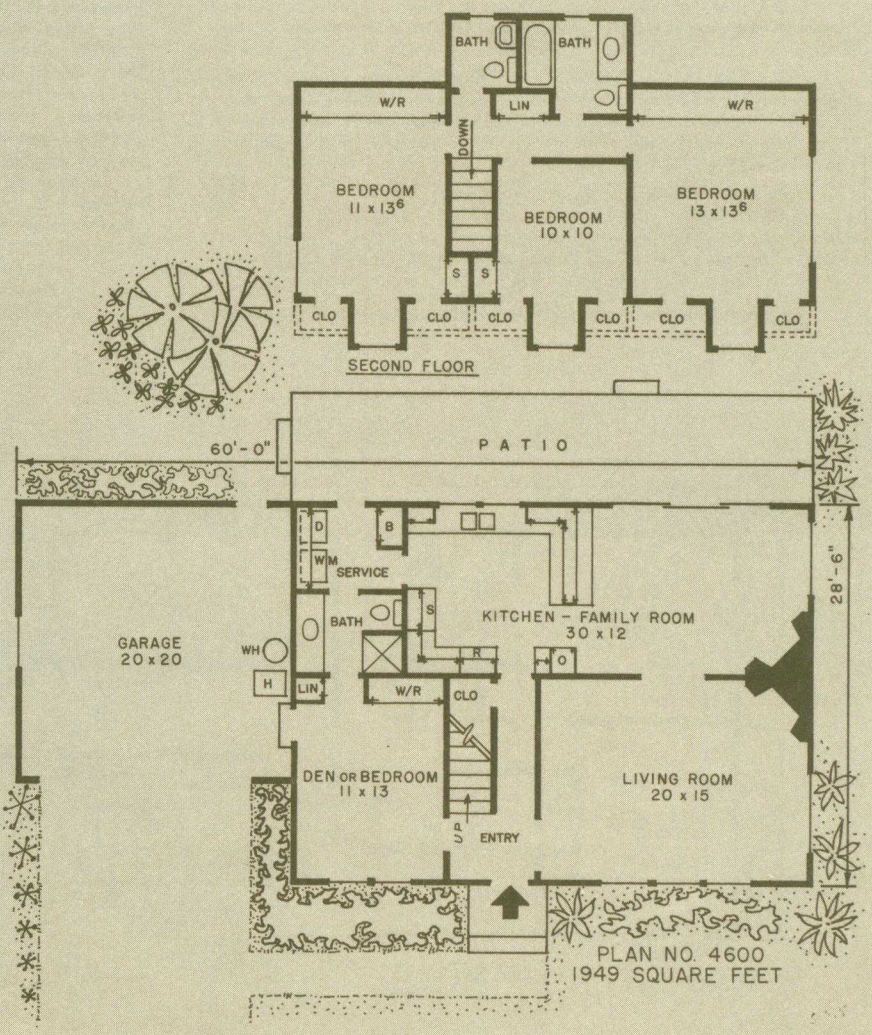
A dining bar divides the kitchen from the big, bright family room. Cupboards above open to both sides to save steps in table setting and clean-up.

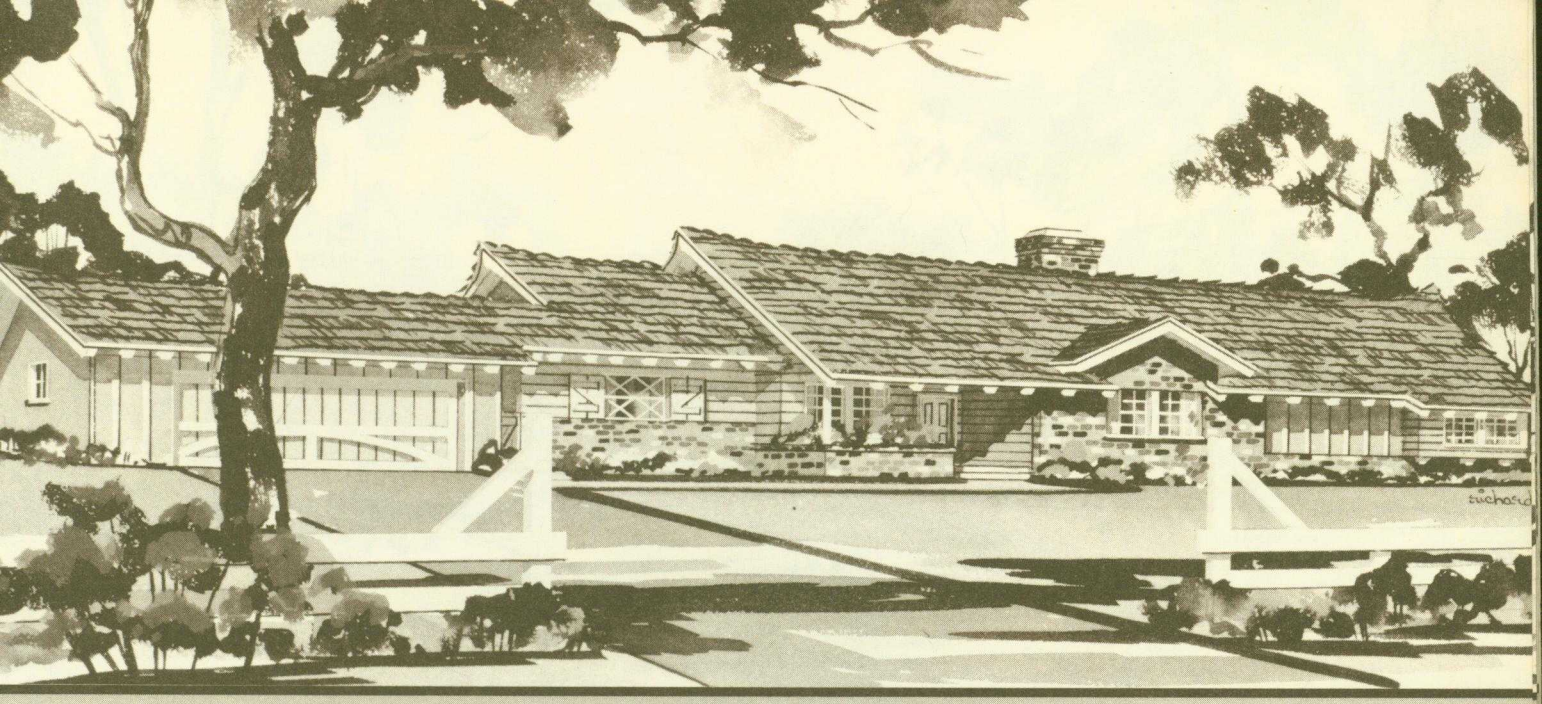
Across the back of the family room, large glass doors offer a wide view and open in summer for relaxing patio living.

To help lower construction costs the corner fireplaces in the family room and living room are built as a unit.

Sliding doors between the living and family rooms can close them off for privacy or open wide to unite the areas when you entertain.

The water heater and forced air unit are located in the large double garage which is accessible from the den.





This is the Once-in-a-Lifetime home. Planned to span a family's changing needs from Lohengrin to the Golden Wedding March, it incorporates areas for both adults and children to work efficiently, to entertain graciously, to relax and have fun. There are places for all to be together and places for each to be alone. In this 2242 square foot home, these needs are met with distinction and good taste.

The long, rambling lines of the roof tilt upward at the gables. Used brick veneer faces most of the front, lending warm-hued contrast to the vertical and horizontal siding. Double gates swing together to enclose the breezeway between the house and two-car garage.

The efficiently planned street-side kitchen retains a view of both front and back yards. Oven, surface cooking unit and refrigerator are built in, and a pantry is near the sunny eating area. A half wall above the stove unites the kitchen and spacious family room.

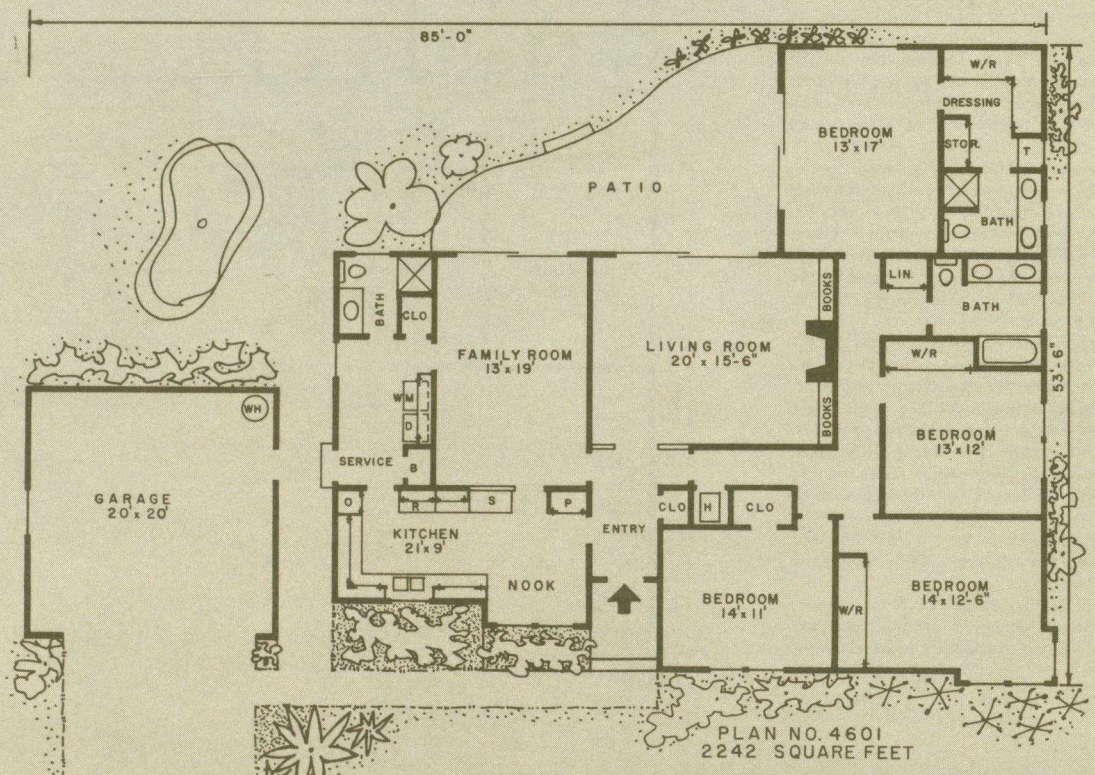
There's a space for washer, dryer, freezer and two storage closets in the service area. The adjacent three-quarter bath, with stall shower, is handy to the family room, play yard and swimming pool.

Walls of glass open to the patio from the family room, living room and master bedroom, making this semi-sheltered terrace a secluded spot for sun-bathing, relaxing or informal entertaining in warm weather.

Book shelves flank the broad used-brick fireplace in the vast living room and wide wall area make furniture arranging easy.

The master bedroom suite is a complete unit, with a dressing room that provides a built-in dressing table, wardrobe and storage closet and a three-quarter bath with a double pullman lavatory.

Twin lavatories are also features of the family bath. The other three bedrooms all have an abundance of closet space and wide windows for ample light and ventilation.



PLAN NO. 4601
2242 SQUARE FEET

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Planned for the family with a busy social life, this trim Contemporary home will make entertaining especially easy and delightful.

The exterior is one to be proud of in any neighborhood. The clean lines of the rock roof accent the long, low look. Slumpstone blocks laid in straight Roman tiers veneer broad areas of the facade from the foundation planter to the boxed gables. Brick or random stone could be substituted if desired. A colorful perforated masonite screen shields the front windows from the street.

From the sheltered entry a panel door leads to the entrance foyer. Big and open, the living-dining area extends across the back, looking out to the patio and rear garden through broad sliding glass doors. Corner windows light the dining alcove, and the big fireplace can be enjoyed from all parts of this pleasant room.

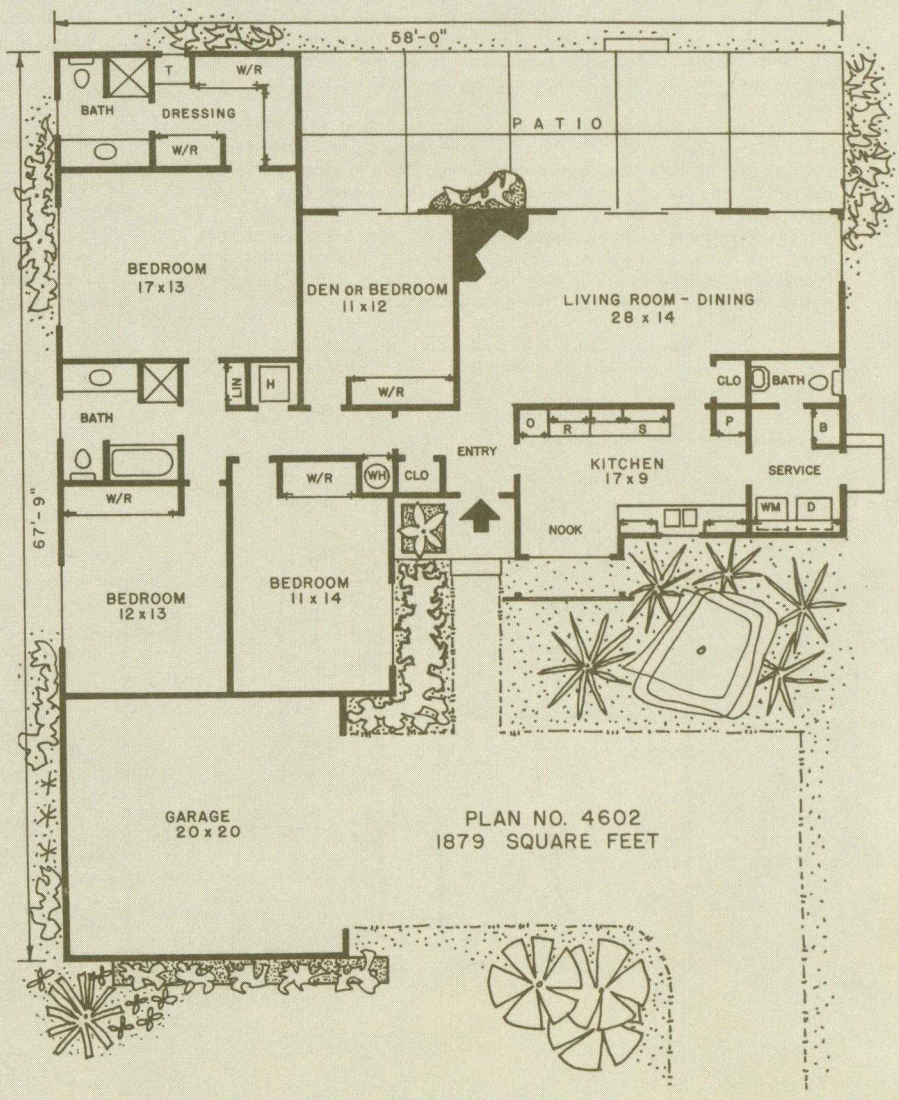
For quick family meals, the eating area in the kitchen is both convenient and attractive. Refrigerator, oven and surface cooking unit are built-in. An expanse of cupboards, pantry, broom closet and game closet provide a "place for everything" near the work area. Laundry appliances are in the service area, and the half-bath is handy to the work area and play yard.

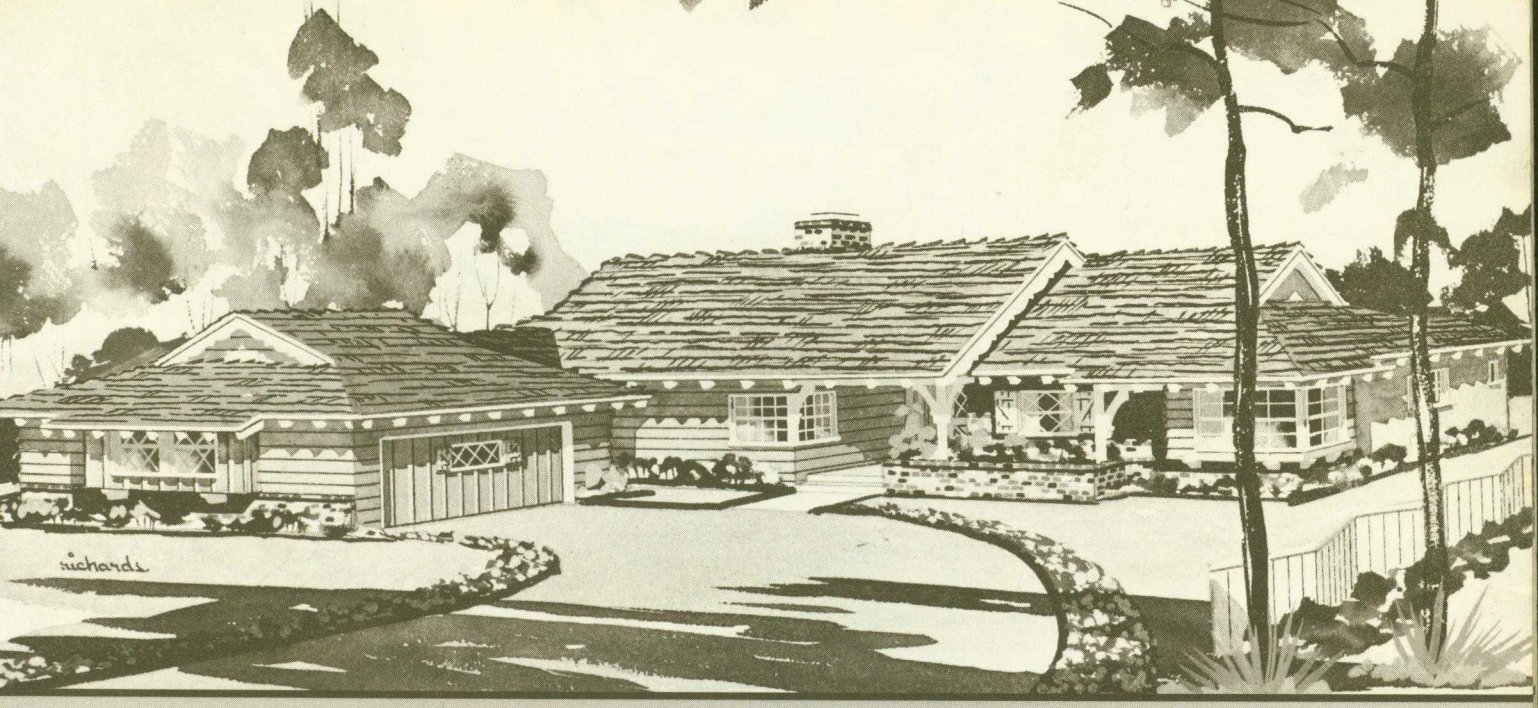
The master bedroom has its own private three-quarter bath and dressing room. Wardrobes line three walls and a window located above the built-in vanity table provides ample light and ventilation.

The children's rooms are comfortably spacious, with wide, high-set windows and large wardrobes. The den, which opens sliding glass doors to the patio, could serve as a fourth family bedroom or guest room.

Recessed fixtures, a pullman lavatory, a tub and separate stall shower are attractive features of the family bath.

The garage could be attached in front, or—if your lot is wide enough—located at the side next to the service area and connected by a breezeway.





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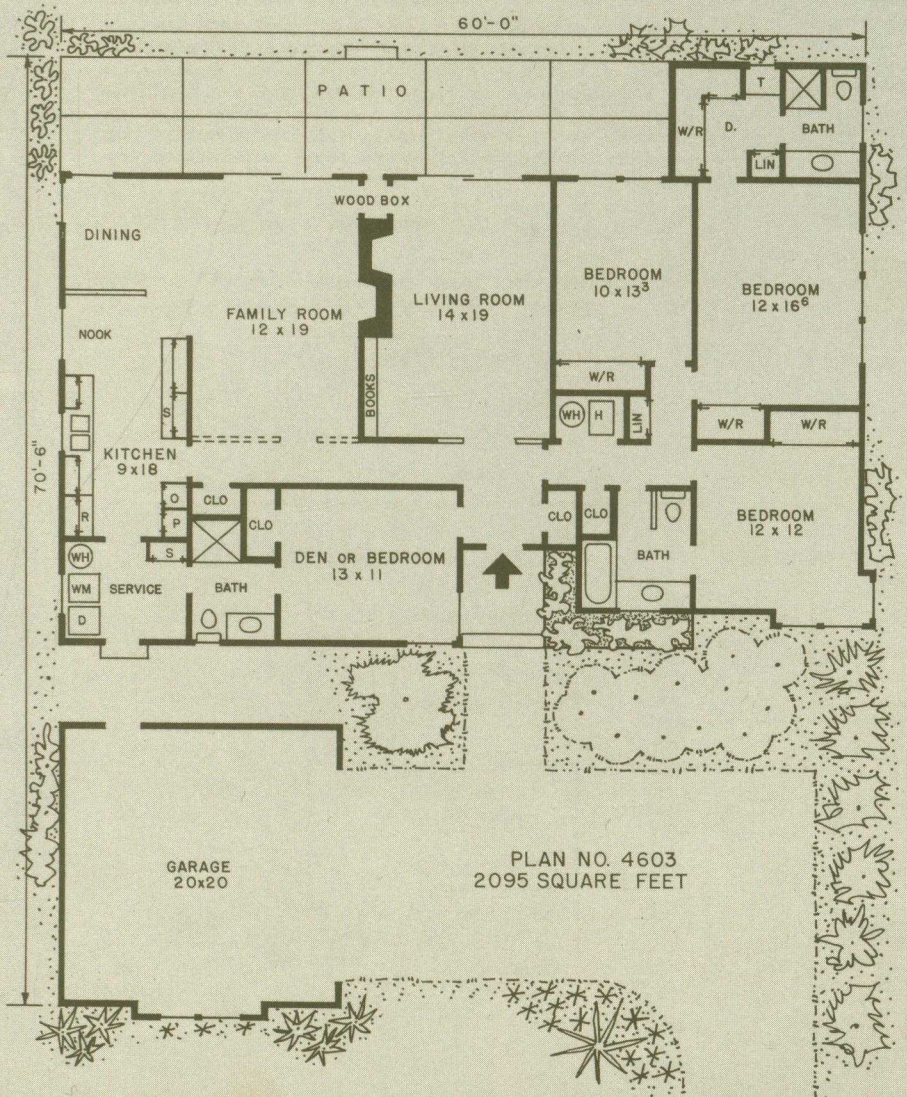


"We have a large family—by today's standards —and want a home that offers both family unity and individual privacy."

To meet these specifications, this 2095 square foot plan has the living room and family room to the broad rear terrace—a place where the family can relax, entertain, even dine outdoors in warm weather. In colder seasons this wall of glass offers a wide view of the rear garden and play yard.

In both the living room and family room the twin fireplaces extend into attractive walls of used brick. Wide bookshelves are located in the living room, while a wood box opens to either the living or family rooms.

For a more open plan, the wall (shown with a dotted line) between the family room and hall could be omitted during construction, if desired. The dining alcove, actually an extension of the family room, is divided by a planter-topped half-wall from the eating area in the kitchen.

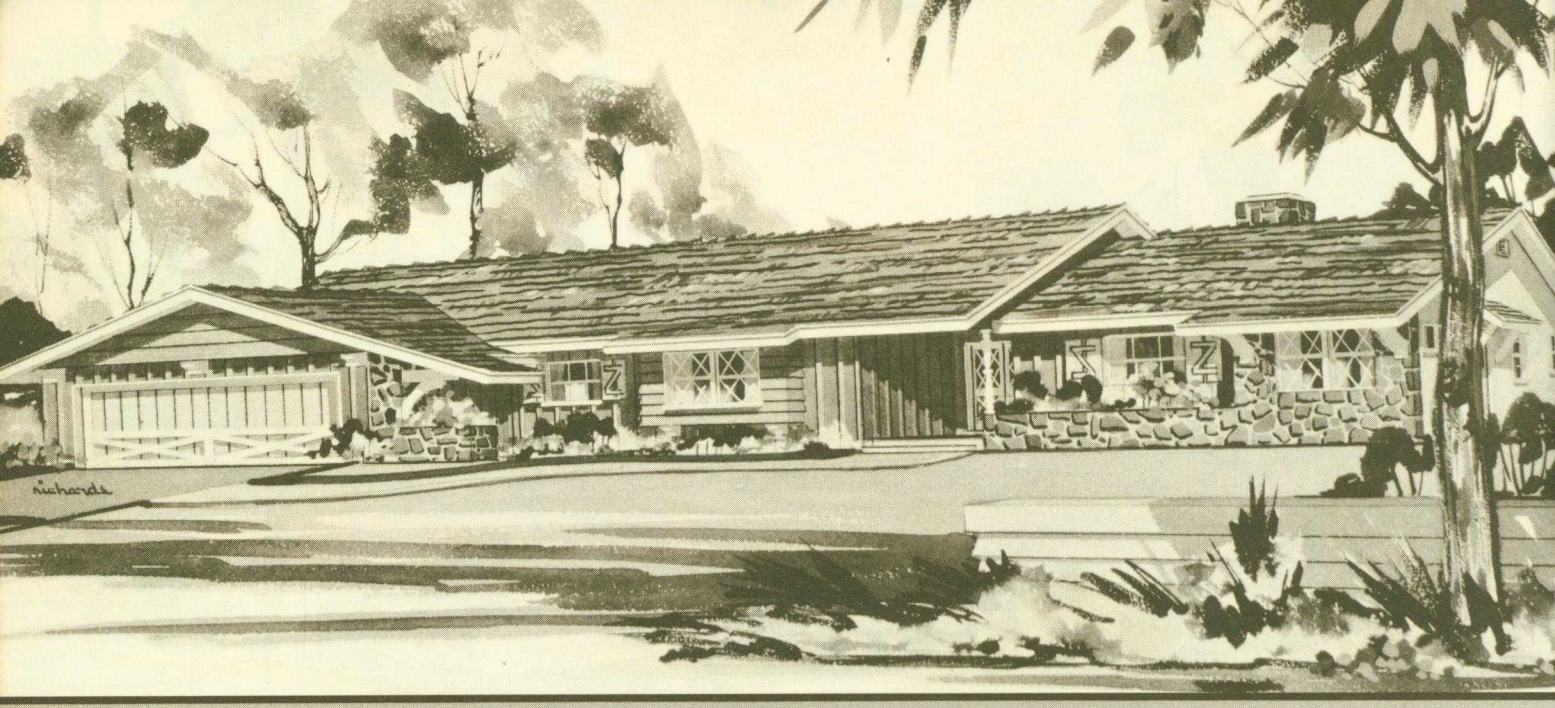
Built-in appliances and a pantry in the kitchen, home laundry equipment and extra storage in the service area make up the efficient work center. The three-quarter bath opens to both the service and den.

Only a step across the breezeway from the service entrance is a side door to the double garage, for sheltered passage in bad weather.

Three family bedrooms open from the quiet hall. To complete the master bedroom suite, a spacious wardrobe-dressing room leads to the private three-quarter bath while an additional wardrobe has been provided in the room itself. The den would make an ideal fourth bedroom for a teenage member of the family. Partitioned fixtures are luxury features of the family bath.

A water heater has been placed in the forced air heater closet and another located in the service for more efficient hot water distribution.

A cedar shake roof, used brick veneer and band-sawn trimmed gables add color and charm to the rustic exterior.



The real quality of this 2183 square foot home goes beyond the attractive exterior. Artful planning has given it an unusually well organized floor plan, especially suitable for a large family.

The central hall makes each room accessible to the front entrance which features a double entry door. For quiet and privacy, the four bedrooms are secluded from the activity area of the home.

Big and airy, the master bedroom has its own wardrobe-dressing room and three-quarter bath. Large wardrobes provide plenty of closet and storage space in the other bedrooms and extra closets open from the hall.

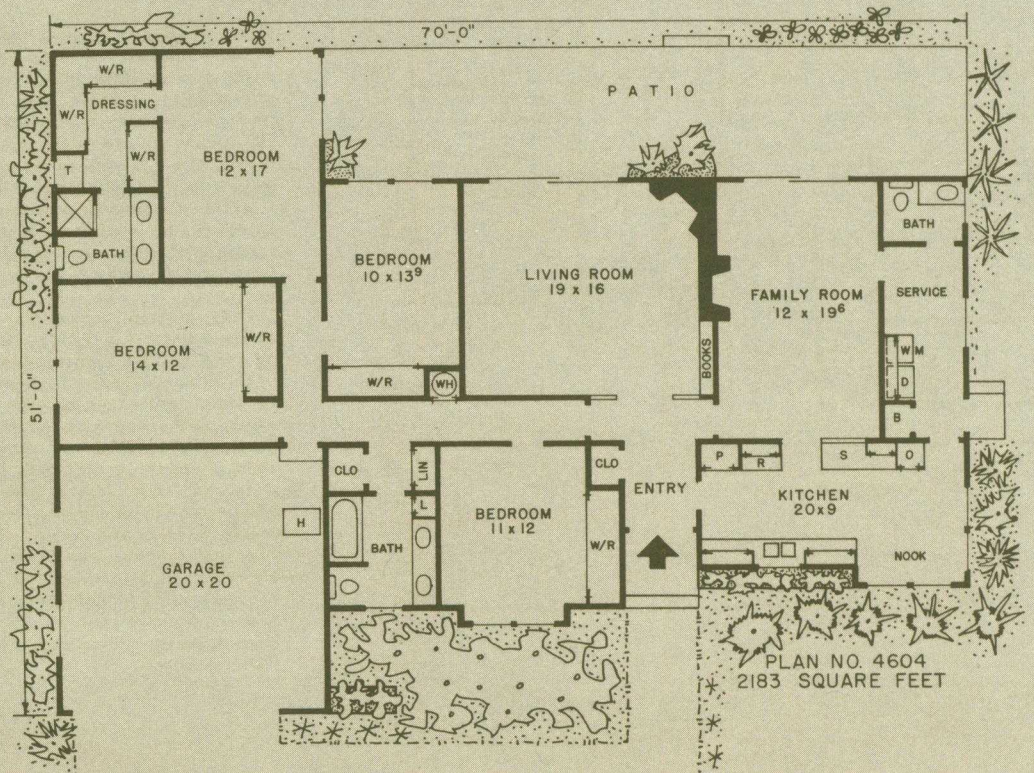
The family bath has recessed fixtures and double lavatories, set in a tiled vanity-top counter. Cabinets below keep accessories and supplies out of sight. A linen-storage closet has been located next to the lavatory.

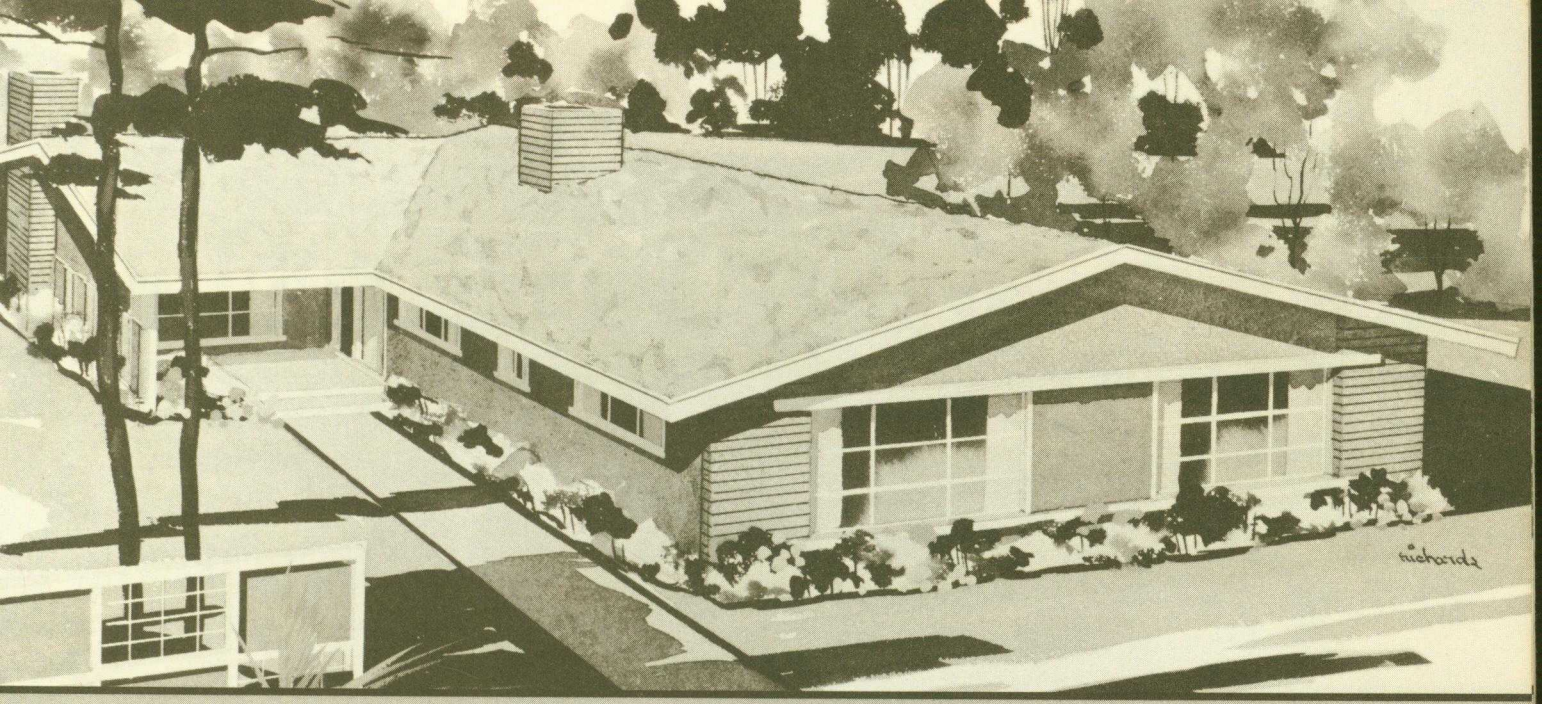
In the living room, the soft-hued stonework of the fireplace extends across most of the end wall. Floor-to-ceiling book shelves complete the setting. Glass doors slide open to the sheltered patio from both the living room and family room, to unite indoors and outdoors for summer relaxation, dining and entertaining. The fireplace in the family room could be built as a barbecue, if desired.

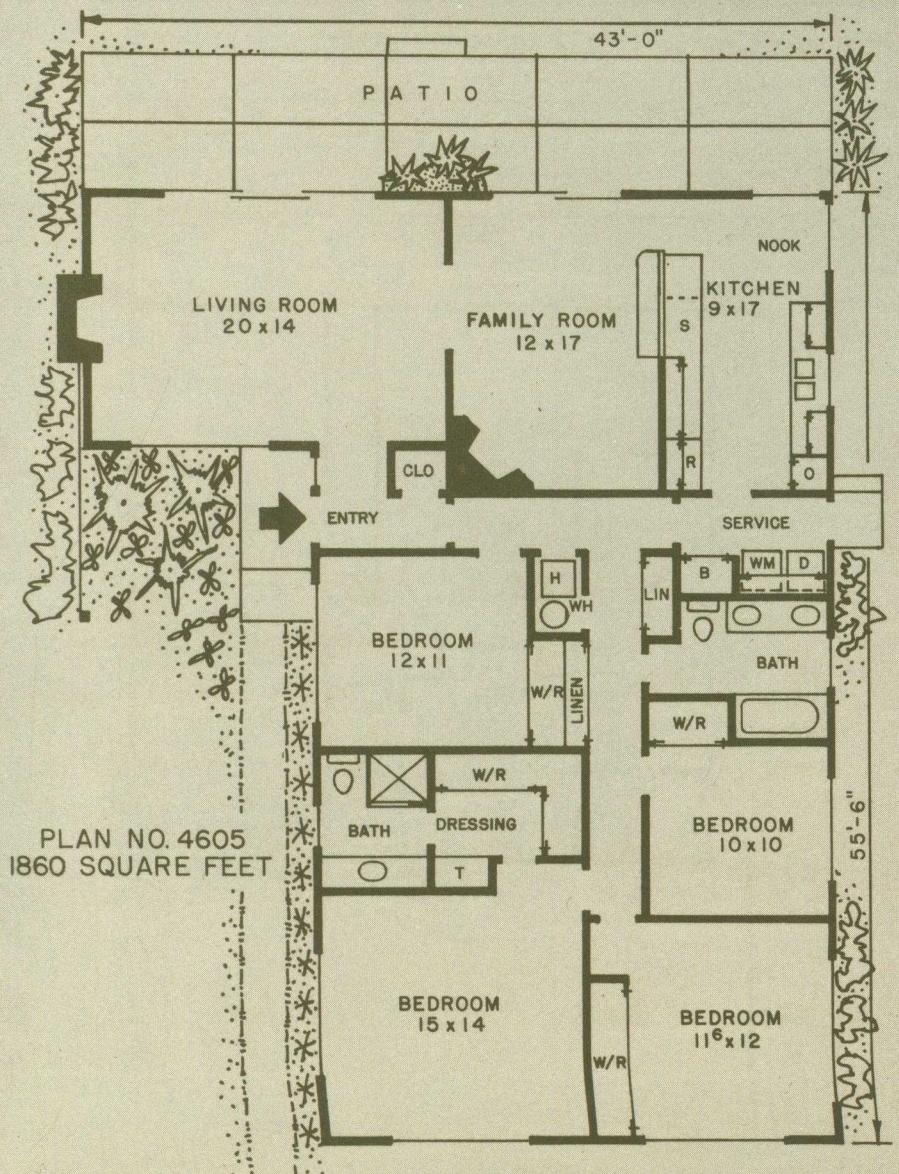
The work area of this home would delight any homemaker. The kitchen is placed near the front door, yet it commands a view of three sides of the home, enabling mother to keep track of the children when they play outside. Built-in appliances and a spacious eating area save time and steps in preparing and serving meals. The big service area is large enough for laundry equipment, broom closet and freezer, and the half-bath is handy to the family room and play yard.

The forced air heater has been located in the garage but it could be placed in the closet next to the master bath or in the attic if desired.

A rough shake roof, board and batten siding and extensive stonework lend a hand-crafted charm to the rustic exterior.







PLAN NO. 4605
1860 SQUARE FEET

Glass creates striking effects in this Contemporary home, relating the living areas to the outdoors. Sliding walls of glass unite the living room and family room to the full rear patio, and wide picture windows face the street in the living room and two of the four bedrooms. Other bedroom windows are high-set casements that allow unbroken wall areas for the placement of furniture.

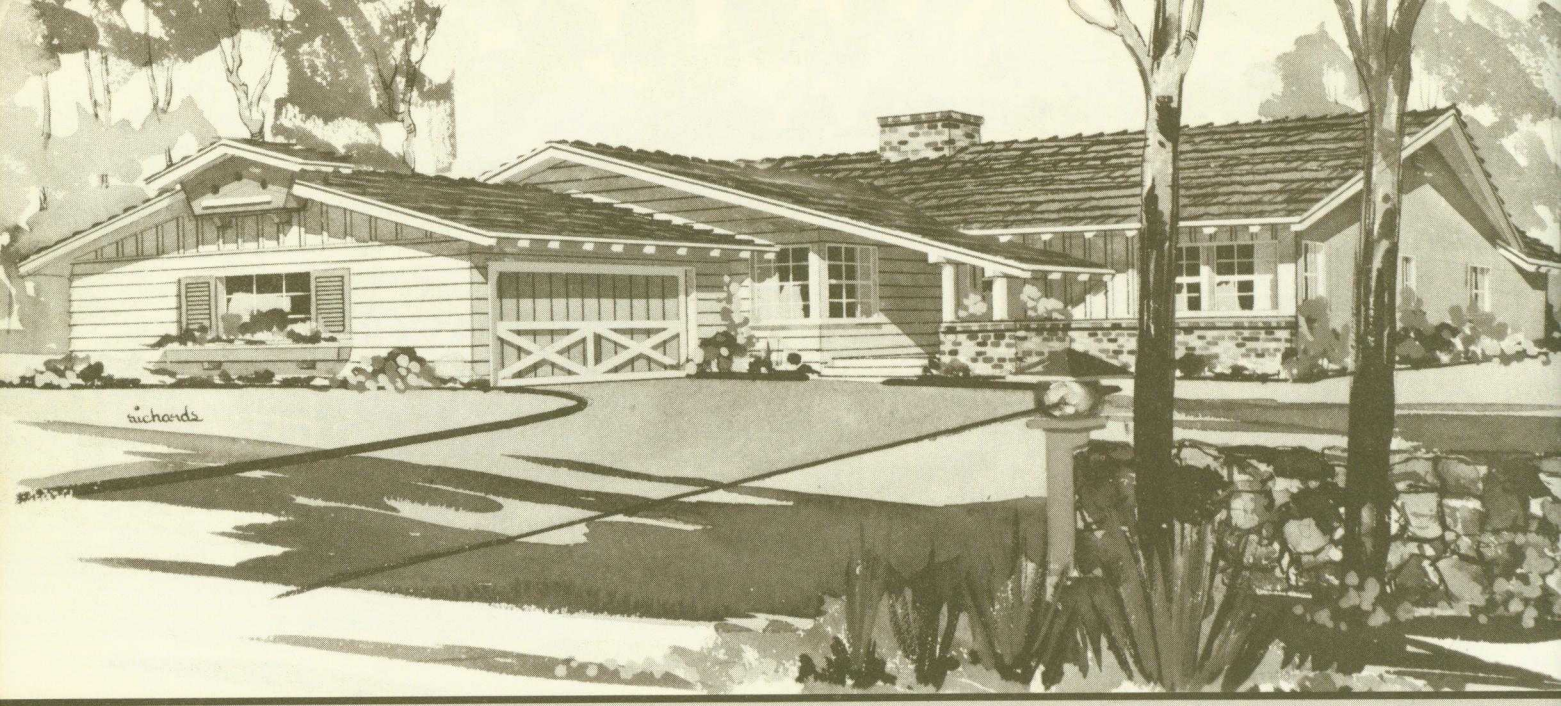
The sleeping and activity areas in this 1860 square foot home are well separated from each other for quiet and privacy. The central hall channels movement to any room from either the front or rear entrance, without the need for any room to be used as a walk-way.

Fireplaces add a hospitable touch to both the living room and family room. Sliding doors can be closed to separate these two distinctive rooms when adults wish to entertain without the interruption of children's activities. Yet when more room is needed for parties or large groups these double doors slide into a wall to merge the areas for easy entertaining.

The half-wall serving bar over the kitchen cooking unit will make it easy to use the family room as a separate dining room when entertaining.

The master bedroom unit has its own big wardrobe-dressing room and separate three-quarter bath. Plenty of light and ample wardrobe space make the family bedrooms attractive and comfortable.

Stucco and concrete block are suggested as low-cost exterior materials, topped by a gleaming crushed rock roof. If desired, the garage could be attached to the front of the bedroom wing. The entire plan can be rotated 90 degrees to fit a wider lot.



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Here is a 1844 square foot home planned for a narrow lot.

A brick chimney tops the stained shake roof while brick veneer and a brick planter lends color to the front of the home. Shutters frame the garage window and a bird house adds a whimsical touch to the gable of the garage roof.

Living room and dining room are open, to add dimension to both areas. Corner windows light the dining alcove and double glass doors slide open to merge the living room and patio for outdoor living. A half-wall beside the huge corner fireplace serves to define the living room while giving light to the hall.

Built-in stove, oven and refrigerator in the roomy kitchen can be color-keyed to your decor. Wide windows brighten the eating nook, sink and work counters.

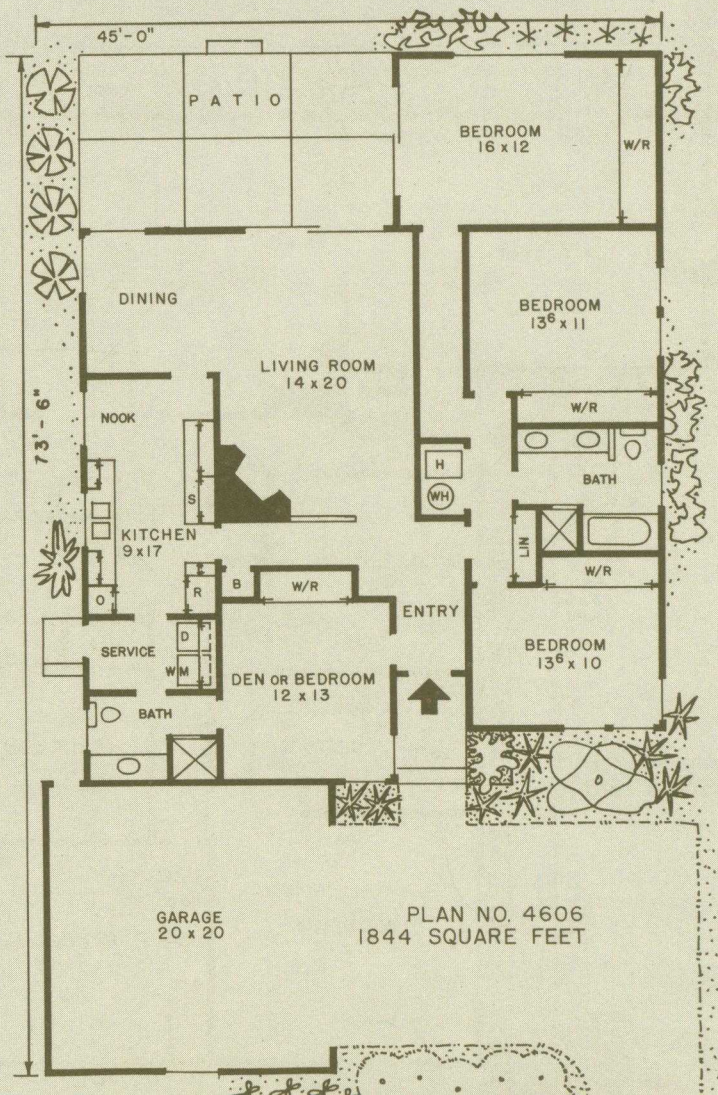
The big service area has space for your washer, dryer and frozen food locker, and the adjacent three-quarter bath opens to both the work area and den.

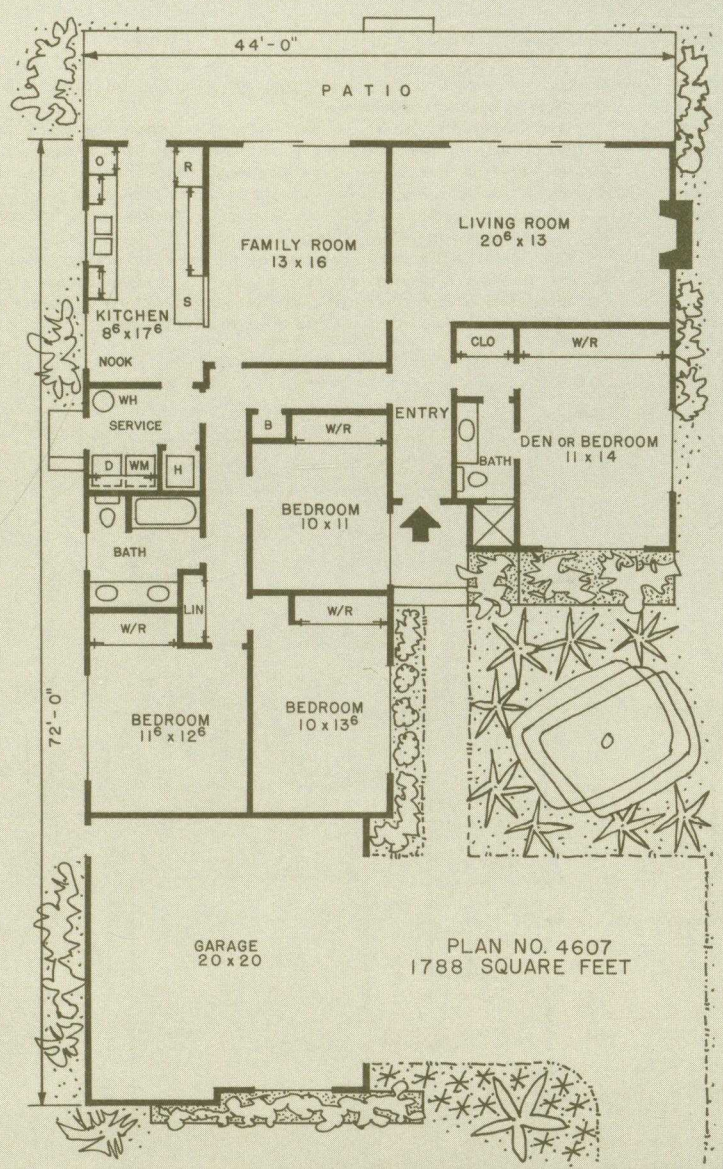
The master bedroom is located at the rear of the house for privacy. Glass doors slide open to the patio, and provide an ever changing view of the garden. A wall-wide wardrobe affords ample storage.

Big wardrobes are also welcome features of the other two bedrooms and the den. In a larger family the den could be the master bedroom, or be used as a guest bedroom.

The family bath has a double pullman lavatory and both tub and stall shower.

The two-car garage is near the street for easy access. A rear door to the garage, a few steps from the service entry, offers sheltered passage in bad weather.





Family living moves away from the street in this 1788 square foot home.

Outdoors and indoors merge through the walls of glass that open from the family room and living room to include the patio and your private back garden for modern fresh-air living. A door from kitchen to the patio facilitites the serving of meals and refreshments outside in warm weather. For indoor dining the family room can double as a dining room—and space has been provided in the kitchen for serving quick meals. In cooler seasons the big fireplace is the spot for a cheery fire.

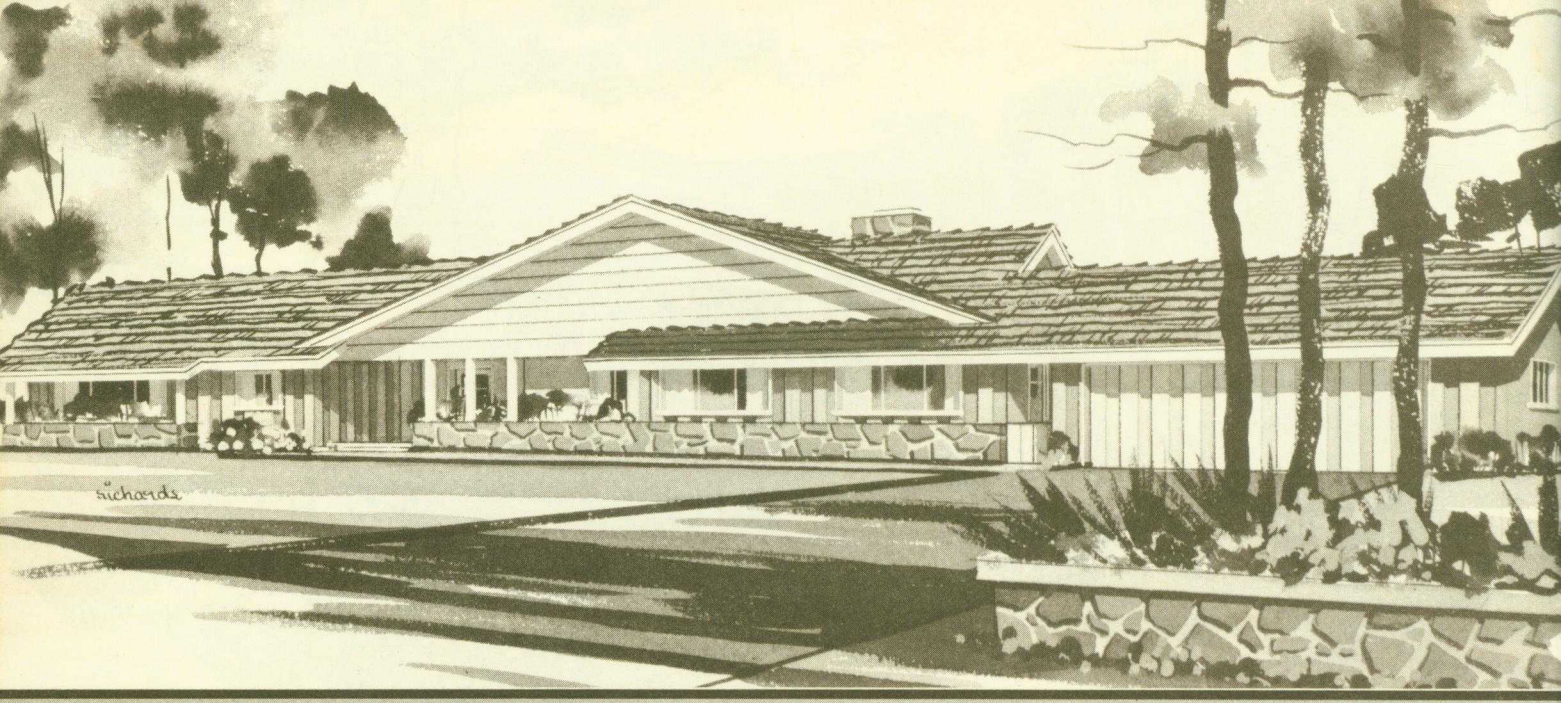
A partial half-wall between the family room and kitchen allows mother to watch the little ones whether they play indoors or on the patio.

Home laundry appliances, water heater and forced air heater are located in the service area.

Four bedrooms provide plenty of room for today's larger family. The children's rooms are secluded off a separate center hall, away from the noise of the activity rooms. Closets are large and sliding windows are located high to allow maximum wall areas for furniture. The den could be converted to a bedroom in a larger family, with the private three-quarter bath also serving as a guest powder room.

The family bath has a partitioned tub and water closet and double pullman lavatories.

Economical to build, the exterior is an attractive combination of vertical siding and rock veneer, beneath a glistening crushed rock roof. Rock planters provide spots for greenery along the front of the garage and beside the entrance. Lacy iron grill work tops the entry planter.



This delightful home, planned for a young executive, was meant for an active social life.

Unusually large, the living room and family room face away from the street. Walls of glass open to the expansive, partially roofed patio, to make a vast indoor-outdoor area for informal entertaining in warm weather. Tightly closed in colder seasons, these glass walls reveal a winter view.

The huge stone fireplaces in the living room and family room are built as a unit. A view-through opening unites the family room, which can double as a dining room, with the spacious kitchen. Big windows brighten the dining alcove and work areas. Ample work surfaces and cupboards, a pantry closet and built-in appliances add step-saving efficiency.

The service area is large enough to accommodate home laundry equipment, a freezer and sewing machine or desk.

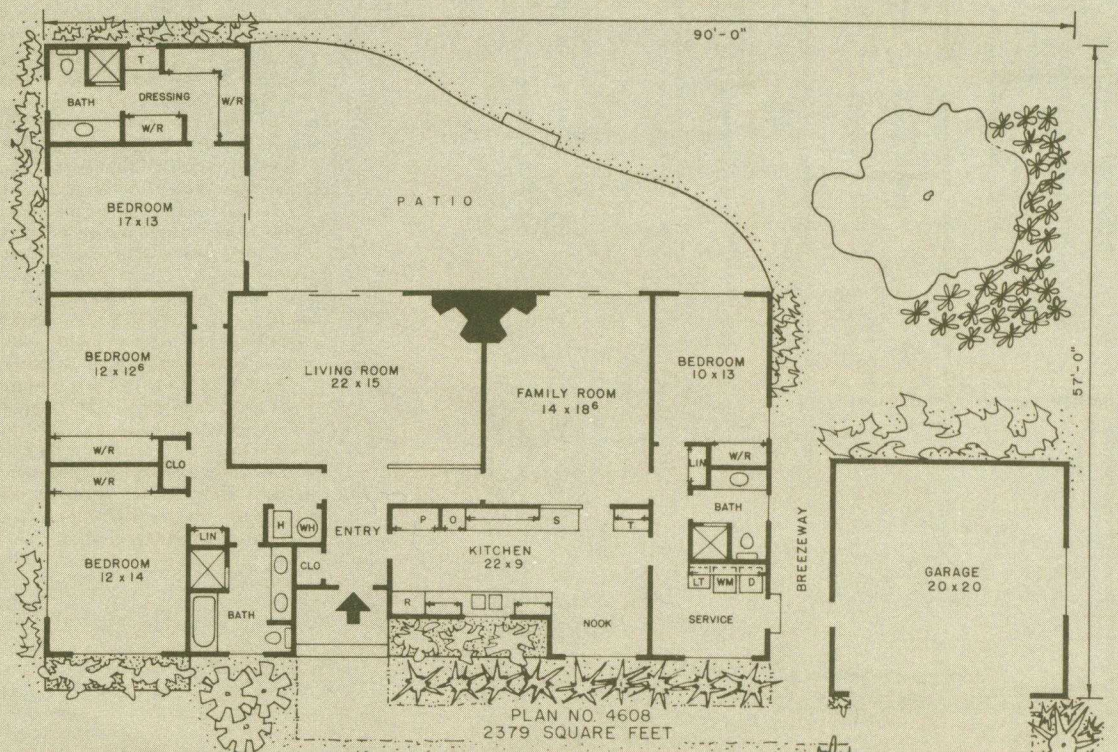
With its private three-quarter bath, the extra bedroom could be used as a maid's room, study, den or suite for an older son or daughter in a servantless home.

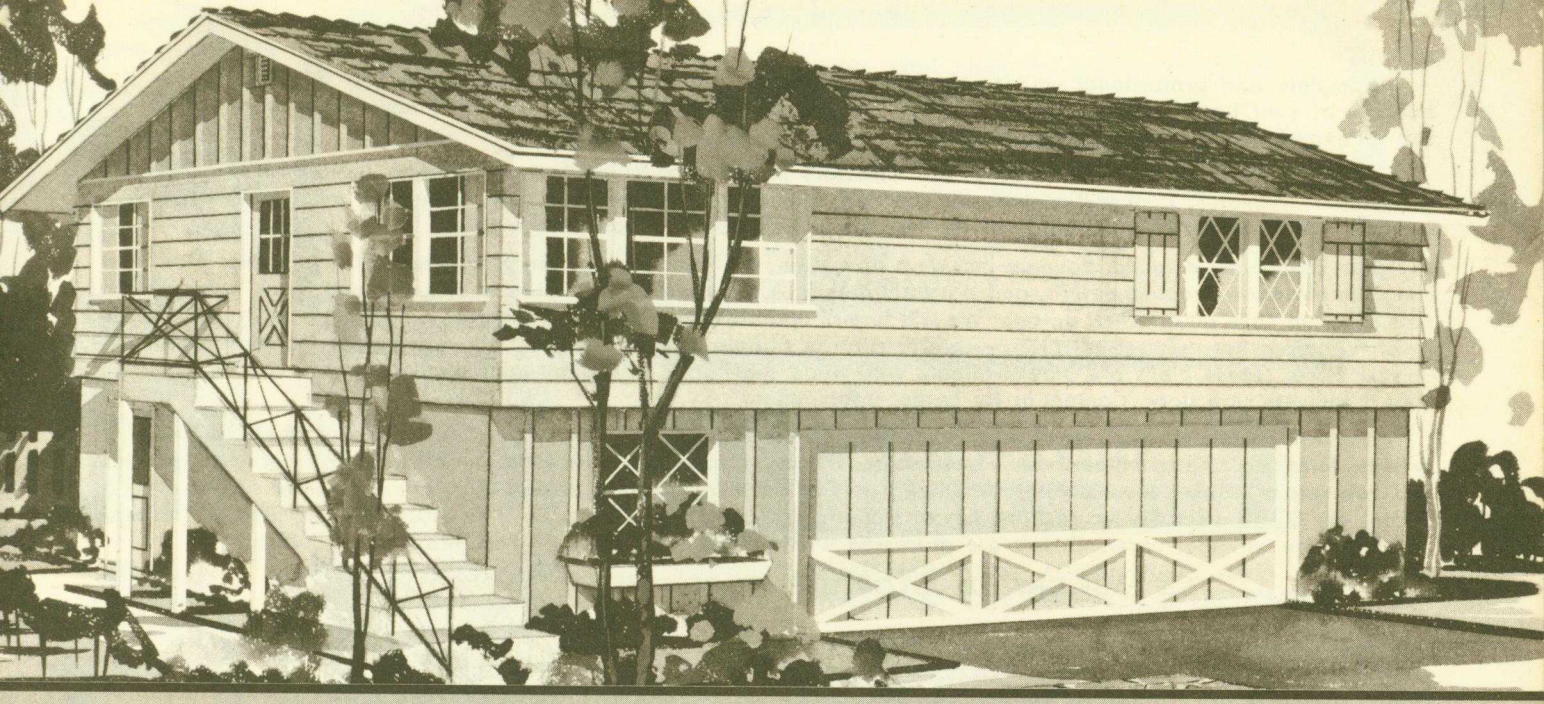
The three family bedrooms are secluded off the quiet center hall.

Wardrobes in the children's rooms are exceptionally large. The master bedroom has a generous size wardrobe-dressing room with a built-in vanity table, and a private three-quarter bath.

The family bath has both tub and stall shower, twin lavatories and a semi-partitioned water closet.

The interesting textural patterns of the exterior are achieved by the use of stained shakes for the roof, vertical and horizontal siding and panels of stucco above one of the stone planters. A breezeway provides easy access from the front to the rear yard.





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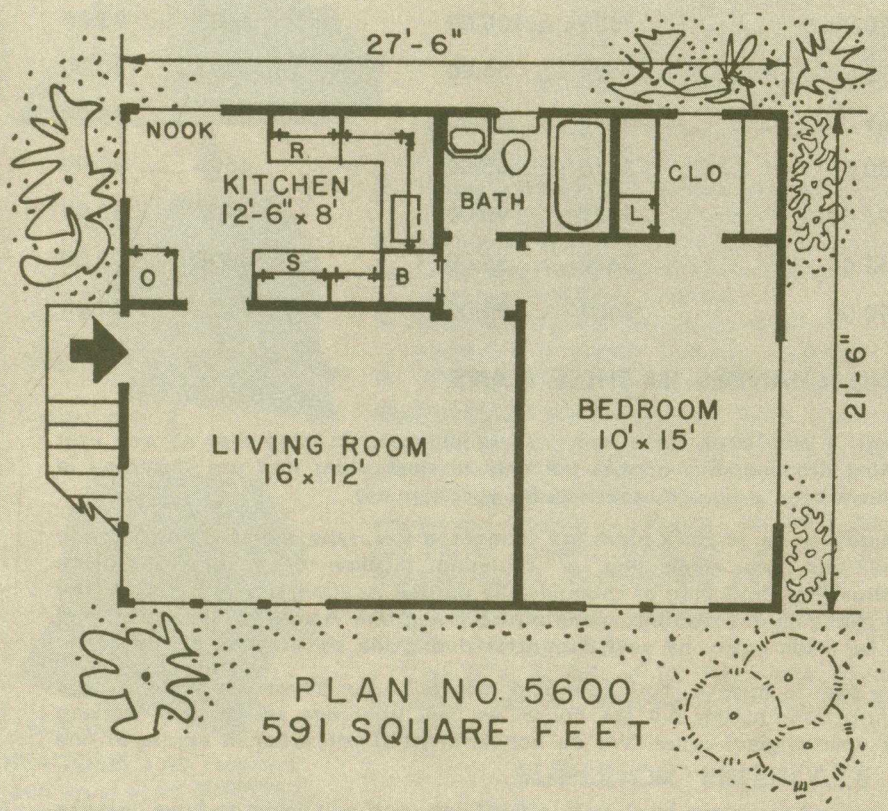

PLAN NO. 5600
591 SQUARE FEET

This attractive garage apartment could turn that expanse of back lawn into extra income for you.

The unit is complete—a double garage, workshop area and storage-service room at ground level, and a well planned one-bedroom apartment above.

Any feeling of height is broken by the use of both vertical and horizontal siding. Interesting touches to the exterior are diamond-paned windows, a neat flower box at the storage window and a garden-gate motif on the garage door.

The living room is nearly as large as that of the average home. Wide corner windows make the room light and airy, leaving plenty of unbroken wall space for furniture. A dual wall heater between the living room and bedroom keeps both areas comfortable at the temperature you prefer.

Windows on two sides assure the bedroom of plenty of light and cross-ventilation. A large walk-in closet with outdoor light provides both ample space for clothing on either side and storage shelves above for blankets and accessories, plus a linen storage area. Bath and broom closet are off the hall.

The well lighted kitchen has a convenient U-shaped work area, with built-in oven and surface cooking unit, lots of cupboards and counter top and a bright corner dining nook.

A boon to any family is the large storage and laundry room on the ground level. More storage space is provided by the large shelf across the back of the double garage, and there's also ample room for a home workshop at one side.

This plan could easily be adapted to your lot at the beach, or in the mountains or desert. As a weekend cottage the storage room could be finished and equipped with bunk beds for guests.

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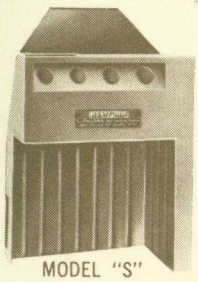

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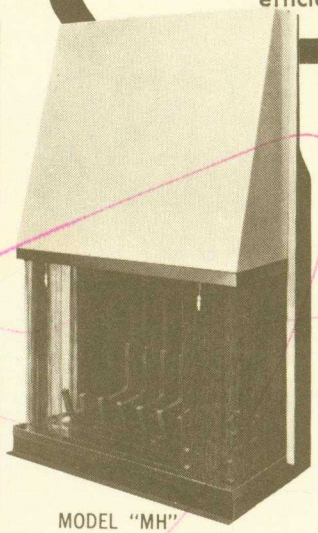

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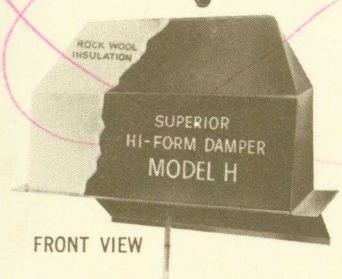

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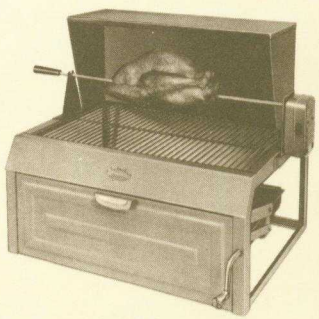

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